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THE NEW B.-B. STUDIO.

Pleasing Recital of Bright Pupils Last Night in Powers' Block.

Mrs. Elizabeth K. Bunn and Miss Edna Bunn gave a pupils' recital at Mrs. Bunn's studio in the Powers building last evening. There was a large attendance, the studio being filled with friends and the parents of the pupils and the manner in which the young people acquitted themselves was most satisfactory and encouraging to both teachers and parents. This was the first of a series of recitals which will be given by Mrs. and Miss Bunn during the year and which, with the first as a criterion, will be decidedly enjoyable events in the list of amateur musical performances. The program given was as follows:

Sonatine Op. 148, No. 1, Foerster.—Miss May Hall.

"Spring's Awakening," Hawley—Miss Grace Hubbard

(a) "Slumber Song," Schumann; (b) "The Chase," Rheinberger.—Miss Maud Benton.

Barcorolle, DeKoven.—Arthur Spence.

"On the Meadow," Lichner—Miss Judith Mills.

"Dear Little Baretoes," Scott—Miss Lena Martin.

"Spinning Song," Gustav Satler—Miss Emma Ewing.

"Little Boy Blue," D'Hardelot.—Miss Lillian King.

"Pierrette," Caminade—Miss Ella Reeve.

(a) "Ave Maria," Mascagni; (b) "Burst Ye Apple Buds," Emery—Miss Callie Rich.

Revolutionary Etude, Chopin.—Miss Marie Powers.

PROGRESSIVE CLUB

Entertained by Miss Donna Dawson Wednesday Afternoon.

The Progressive club met with Miss Donna Dawson of West Macon street yesterday afternoon. Tennyson was the author studied. This club, which is a pioneer in the studies now sent by the Chicago Record, was organized a year ago and has 15 members. The meetings are held on Wednesday afternoon of each week at the home of a member and the subjects are taken up and studied very much as the classes which have taken up the Chicago Record studies this winter. The club is arranging for a reception which will be given soon and which will inaugurate an annual reception day in the club year.

ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

Jerry M. Duncan and Miss Green Married in Chicago.

Jerry M. Duncan of Lintner and Miss Florence R. Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Green of this city, were married last evening at 7 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. George B. Scott, in the city of Chicago. Rev. W. F. Black of the Christian church performed the ceremony. The couple will arrive in Decatur within a few days.

DIED AT THE HOSPITAL.

Conductor J. C. Floyd of the Wabash Railway.

J. C. Floyd, the Wabash freight train conductor, who was jolted from a car near Mt. Olive, and had one leg crushed, died at the hospital at Springfield last night. He leaves a widow and three children. He was 42 years of age and carried life insurance to the amount of $5000 in the O. R.C. and Royal Arcanum. The body will be taken to St. Paul, Ind., for burial.

Class at Clinton.

Mrs. C. H. Cassell left today for Clinton, where she has a large and growing class in dancing. Afternoon and evening lessons are given in the hall, the same as at the armory in Decatur, followed by an assembly ball. The young people of Clinton are quite enthusiastic over their advancement under the instruction of Mrs. Cassell, whose methods are so easily followed, and whose knowledge of all the latest dances enables her to keep her pupils up to date in all that pertains to the terpsichorean art.

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CONGRESS

Senator Lindsay, of Kentucky, Rises to Protest.

SAYS HIS STATE IS FOR GOLD

Will Not Pay Any Attention to the Free Silver Kickers in His Party—Business in the House.

Washington, Feb. 4.—In the senate after some preliminary business Lindsay of Kentucky had read a resolution of the Kentucky legislature asking him to resign because he refused to vote for free silver. He reviewed his vote in favor of the gold standard during the first term and said his position was fully understood when he was a candidate for re-election in 1894; that he was elected by the solid Democratic vote; that men who are now calling on him to vote for free silver were the ones who had changed principle and he did not propose to be dictated to by them, especially as a majority of the voters of Kentucky are in favor of the gold standard.

At the conclusion of Lindsay's address the senate went into executive session on motion of the foreign affairs committee.

HOUSE.

The bill passed amending the act granting rights of way through the public domain for tramways, canals and reservoirs to cities and private corporations. Heretofore the rights were given only for mining and irrigation. The house proceeded to the consideration of private bills.

Private pension bills, favorably acted on last Friday night, were the first consideration. Hopkins (Rep., Ill.) made some desultory remarks on the first bill. The Democrats, who were anxious to reach the private calendar, charged the Republicans with trying to filibuster away the entire day on pension bills. Several Republicans denied the disposition to filibuster, but continued to prolong the debate.

Will be Well Posted.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Secretary Wilson has taken steps for the collection of all the information obtainable in the department of agriculture bearing on the shipment of fresh fruit to the German empire, preliminary to any action necessary after the receipt of full official information as to the scope of the decree of prohibition.

Herman's Decision.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Commissioner Herman of the general land office has decided the case of Catholic Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul, involving the right to 30,000 acres of land contracted for by him from the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba road, afterwards found not convenable from the government to the road, the archbishop in the meantime having located many settlers on the property. Herman holds that the archbishop had no right to make a purchase, under one contract, involving five thousand acres, but had such right under the other, in the first case. However, the rights of the settlers are protected.

Nominations.

The president today nominated R. A. Hitchcock ambassador to Russia. He is the present minister and this action raises the grade of our representative to St. Petersburg to the rank of ambassador, to meet similar action on the part of Russia.

The following postmasters were nominated: R. F. Lawson, Effingham; W. H. Norris, Carlyle; G. A. Lyan, Amboy; W. A. Musset, Grayville; W. S. Pittman, Jerseyville; S. B. Roach, Mason City; H. H. Buerman, Nashville; T. A. Jewett, Orogon; R. F. Ledoit, Sandwich, C. M. Tinny, Virginia; J. H. Pierson, Carrolton; W. F. Backman, Staunton.

Iowa—W. H. Tyrell, Waverly; C. M. Elder, Rock Valley; A. W. Lee, Ottumwa; A. M. Brimer, Corning; H. E. Bo-Bugor, Afton.

WANTS TO STAY.

Governor Bushnell Wishes to Remain Republican—Sores are Healing.

New York, Feb. 4.—Gov. A. S. Bushnell of Ohio is in the city. "I have been at Old Point Comfort with my wife, son and daughter-in law," he said, "and I know nothing about the senate investigation more than I have read in the newspapers.

"In regard to the Hanna campaign, my prominence in the fight was exaggerated. I desired to remain neutral, but I was told I must support and love Mr. Hanna and when I said I could not do so I was attacked so unjustly that I was forced to fall in with the opposition. But it is all over now and I do not believe there exists any bitterness that will live.

"The Republicans of Ohio are like a lot of school boys. We fight hard when the battle is on and shake hands when it is over. I know I am in disfavor with some of the leaders now, but I hope they will permit me to remain in the party, as I believe I can do both them and it some good.

"I have no unkind feeling, and I hope animosities will be buried and forgotten, that the party may go forward to create victories as a unit. I am not a party to the present investigation, and I shall endeavor as governor to give the whole people a better administration in the next two years than they have given me credit for giving them in the last two."

CAMPAIGN LINE-UP.

New York Republicans Will Make Senator Murphy's Vote a State Issue.

Albany, N. Y., Feb 4.—All eyes were on the assembly yesterday for it had been previously announced that the ways and means investigation bill, giving the governor the power to appoint a commission outside the members of the legislature, would come up for action. Several calls of the house were enforced before the final vote was secured, which was: Yeas, 77; nays, 66. The bill now goes to the senate, where it will displace a similar bill and take its place on the order of third reading.

The Democrat side during the course of the debate insisted that the triumphant Democracy would take up the investigation of the canal improvements scandal when the whitewashing committee which the bill provided for was through. Leader Nixon retorted for the Republicans that the state issue of the Democrats this year would not be on the canals, for the accredited leader, Senator Murphy, had cast their lot for them when he voted for the Teller resolution, and that the fight would be similar to that of 1896.

In the senate Mr. Brush introduced a resolution of censure directed at Edward Murphy, Jr., United States senator from this state. The preamble of the resolution alleges that the state of New York "has been grossly misrepresented by one of its senators," who cast his vote for the Teller resolution, "thus aiding in the enunciation of principles called to foster distrust and disaster to the financial and business interests of the state."

IMPORTANT WITNESS.

The Latimer School Teacher Again on the Witness Stand.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 4.—The trial of Sheriff Martin and deputies was continued this morning. The forenoon session of court was occupied with the further evidence of Charles Guscott, the Latimer school teacher, who witnessed the affray in which the striking miners were killed. He pointed out a number deputies whom he saw at Latimer just previous to the shooting, and identified maps and photographs of the scene of the shooting.

CUT RATES TO DENVER.

Two Chicago Announce the Beginning of a War.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—The Atchison and Rock Island roads gave notice that beginning next Sunday they would reduce the first class passenger rate between Chicago and Denver by $5. The cut is the result of the fast train service on the Northwestern and Burlington. The two latter roads refused either to advance the fare on the fast trains or to discontinue the service. The cut will probably be met by the Northwestern and Burlington.

DEADLY COAL GAS.

Three Persons Die in the Night—The Mother Unconscious.

Madoc, Ont., Feb. 4.—John Milligan, aged 21; Lee Milligan, aged 15; Ethel Baker, aged 12; were asphyxiated by charcoal fumes last night. Mrs. Milligan is unconscious.

Into the Hands of a Receiver.

La Porte, Ind., Feb. 4.—Judge Biddle in chambers in this city appointed I. I. Spiro of Michigan City receiver for the Lake Cities Electric company, operating the street railway and electric light plant at Indiana's only harbor city. Suit was brought by the John Davis company on notes amounting to only $300. The corporation is involved to the extent of $30,000. Russell B. Harrison, son of ex-President Harrison, is the principal stockholder. Receiver Spiro gave bond in the sum of $50,000 and took charge of the affairs of the concern.

Patriotism never apologizes for being on picket duty.

WIDE-AWAKE

Japan is in a Position to Take Care of Herself.

MINISTER ITO AND HIS SHIPS

Proud of the Navy—Not Yet Ready to Present Plans and Policies — The Japs are Fighters.

Tokio, Feb. 4.—Marquis Ito, at his official residence, said:

"Concerning matters of foreign policy, I must be necessarily reticent. The government of Japan is watching the situation in the east and is prepared to safeguard Japanese interests by whatever means may be required by events.

"I am investigating the existing conditions of internal affairs. I retired from power only 16 months ago, but there have been so many changes under the late government that I feel I need to study the situation carefully before announcing my policy and plans. The diet to be elected on March 15 will probably convene about the middle of May. By that time I shall be ready to lay a program before parliament."

"Do you approve the proposal to increase the Japanese navy to 400,000 tons, now advocated by several Japanese newspapers?"

"Every nation," the marquis replied "would like to be as strong as possible. Such an increase would require several years and a great deal of money. We should not hesitate, however, to make the necessary sacrifices if circumstances demanded it. I would like to have you inspect the Japanese fleet and see how well disciplined it is. We are stronger than ever before."

"Do you expect to make important changes of national policy?"

"I believe in making public school education practical and harmonizing the training therein given with what are called modern, progressive ideas, bringing it into line with American methods. This will receive very careful attention from my government."

"Do you expect to go forward with colonizing Formosa?"

"Yes, I hope to pacify it soon, and to extend our control to all parts of the island and develop its great resources."

The marquis said he thought the result of the coming election of the diet very important. The political situation, he said, was very uncertain, and it was possible that such members might be elected as to give no party a majority.

The people, he continued, are now greatly interested in economic questions. They were inclined to get rid of mere politicians and elect really representative men who understood the needs of manufacturing industries and commerce.

The late government adopted the gold standard. The change was too recent to judge its permanent effect.

"What will be the Japanese attitude toward Hawaii?"

The marquis laughed and replied

"No, I don't regard that incident as important. The negotiations are just where they were. My government will cultivate friendly relations with the United States, whose people always had friendly feelings for Japan."

Japanese Fleet.

Yokohama, Feb. 4.—The Japanese fleet is maneuvering prior to a cruise in Chinese waters. The press is silent on the situation in China and it is believed that Premier Ito is awaiting the settlement of Germany's claims before committing Japan to any policy.

The Russian squadron is without smokeless coal, and the supply here is small.

SIX PEOPLE KILLED.

Deed of a Maniac in Arkansas—Murderer in Custody.

Van Buren, Ark., Feb. 4.—Sol F. Atkroey, living two miles east of Mulberry, a small station 19 miles east of Van Buren, in a fit of temporary insanity yesterday brained his father and stepmother, killed his 10 year old son and fatally injured his wife and two younger children. Of the seven members of the family, only his wife is able to tell the story. She bears 20 wounds as evidence of her fight for life.

Autroey lived in a double log hut on a cotton plantation and bore a good reputation. From what could be learned from his wife, Autroey awoke a raving maniac. He sprang from bed, and, grabbing a heavy iron bar used as a poker, assaulted his parents, knocking their brains out while they slept. The mad man then assaulted his wife, and, after he thought he had killed her, went to the bed room where his three children were sleeping, killed the oldest one and beat the other until their lives are despaired of.

While he was in the children's bed room Mrs. Autroey regained consciousness, and, running to a neighbor's cabin, gave the alarm. Two men went to the Autroey home and found the maniac reeking in blood, his clothes on fire and defying his neighbors. They succeeded in overpowering him after a desperate struggle, and, after binding him with chains, kept him until noon, when he was taken to Ozak, the county seat of Franklin county.

CABINET MEETING TODAY.

Consideration of Germany's Prohibition as to Fruit.

Washington, Feb. 4.—At the cabinet meeting today the attorney general made known the state of negotiations as to the foreclosure sale of the Kansas Pacific road. It was decided that the outlook is very favorable for the government. The decree of Germany relative to American fruit was also considered and figures produced to show the great importance of this trade. A modification of the decree, as advised by Ambassador White, led to the belief that the matter is still open to diplomatic adjustment. Secretary Wilson stated that it was undoubtedly true that certain well known fruit diseases could be carried on fruit itself and infection communicated to healthy trees at a great distance. It was explained that certain states in the union, in the past, had prohibited the bringing of fruit from infected sections to other states. The action of Germany, therefore, might be entirely proper and within its rights. There is no disposition on the part of the president or members of the cabinet to prejudice the case.

NOT BILLY PATTERSON

But Jim Patterson—Organizing to Go to Cuba.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 4.—The Journal's Aberdeen, S. D., special says: "Jim Patterson of Minneapolis is here working on a scheme to get 300,000 men to Cuba, landing them on July 4. He says he is backed by a syndicate of rich Americans who have big plantations in Cuba, which they are willing to cut into small holdings, and sell on very easy terms. There will be enough steamers in New Orleans on July 2 to carry the whole number and land them in Cuba together. The company guarantees protection from Spanish interference from New Orleans to Cuba.

MONEY AND CRIME.

Awful Deed of a Young Man in California.

Suisun, Cal., Feb. 4.—Frank Bellew was arrested today on a ranch near Elmira and lodged in jail, charged with murdering his brother and sister, Lewis and Susie, by poison. He thought he had not received an equitable share of his father's estate.

BREAD FOR THE POOR.

Nearly Three Hundred Loaves Turned Over to the Overseer.

All of the bread which was exhibited at the farmers' institute was turned over to Overseer of the Poor McClelland and will be distributed among the poor people of the city. There were 235 loaves of white bread and 31 loaves of corn bread. The overseer is distributing the bread today and it will go a long way toward helping some of the poor people.

COST OF CUBAN WAR.

Since 1895 Spain Has Spent $240,000,000; Lost $40,000,000.

Madrid, Feb. 4.—The cost of the Cuban war from February, 1895, to the end of 1897 is officially estimated at $240,000,000, besides arrears due from the Cuban treasury, that amount being $40,000,000.

Duel with Swords.

Paris, Feb. 4.—The duel between Deputies Alexander Millerand and Henry Avertujohn was fought with swords. The former was wounded in the arm. The dispute grew out of an altercation during the debate in the chamber of deputies yesterday.

Bushyhead Dead.

Tahlequah, T. T., Feb. 4.—D. W. Bushyhead, one of the most prominent of the Cherokees, died today of Bright's disease.

SENATOR KANAN

He was in the Chair at Springfield To-Day.

PRIMARY ELECTION BILL UP

Senate Refuses to Concur in the House Amendments—Was Made a Special Order for Next Thursday.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 4.—In the house there was no business. Adjourned to Monday afternoon.

SENATE.

Adjourned to Monday afternoon after making a motion to reconsider the vote by which the senate refused to concur in the house amendments to the primary election bill. It was made a special order for next Thursday. There were only three senators present. Senator Kanan presided.

GOOD FOR DECATUR.

The Government Makes Postmaster Calhoun Custodian of Outside Money.

This morning Postmaster Calhoun received official notice from Washington that the Decatur postoffice had been put on the list as one of the money order depositories in Illinois. In consequence of this order many of the postmasters of the smaller offices in this section of the state will hereafter forward to Postmaster Calhoun at intervals all money order cash they have on hand in excess of the amount allowed by the postoffice regulations. Usually the smaller offices receive more money for orders to be sent away than orders to pay out money. The cash accumulates. Now all of the excess will come to the Decatur postoffice.

The Decatur office pays out more money on money orders than there is cash on hand, and frequently drafts on the government funds have to be drawn.

The making of Decatur office a depository for money order cash adds to the importance of the office and involves increased duties for the postmaster.

TELEGRAPH TIPS.

Governor Tanner was the referee at a live bird shoot at Hot Springs, Ark., yesterday.

The Athletic club of Albany, N.Y., has offered $10,000 for a match between Kid McCoy and Peter Maher.

At Paxton J. W. Phillips sold to C. Trecker of Livingston county, a bunch of five brown Swiss cattle. That it pays to raise good stock is evidenced by the prices they brought, viz.: An 8-year old cow, $100; a 15-months-old heifer, $150; an 8-months-old heifer, $100; a yearling grade, $50, and a 3-year-old bull, $75; a total of $475 for five head.

The Republican members of congress met at Washington last night and organized the congressional campaign committee.

MATCH FACTORY FOR DECATUR

A Big Industry—It Will be in Operation Within 90 Days.

Decatur is to have a match factory which will rival in size and capacity of output the largest manufactories of this article in the world. A company has recently been formed at Philadelphia for the purpose of manufacturing matches. It is an independent company and will be known as the Consolidated American Match Co. The capital stock is $3,000,000, and this is but a small part of the amount the promoters of the plan have at their command to insure the success of the new venture. Frank M. Young, the wholesale grocer, has become interested in the new company, and through his efforts the central western manufacturing plant will be located in Decatur. The plant will be put in operation in the building now occupied by Mr. Young in his wholesale grocery business. That building is five stories and a basement and the ground dimensions are 60x180 feet. The output of that building if filled with improved machines and devoted exclusively to the manufacture of matches would be almost beyond conception. The floor space of the building is immense and the new company owns patents on perfected match machines which turn out perfected goods at a rate almost beyond belief. Mr. Young has just returned from Philadelphia where he had been on a visit to meet the men who are most largely interested in a financial way in the new venture. There he saw in operation one of the new machines and it was turning out perfected matches at the rate of 6000 per minute. The wood in blocks, was fed into the machine at one end and matches ready for use came out at the other end at the rate mentioned.

The factory will be opened within 60 or 90 days. The machines which will be put in are not yet made, but have been ordered. It is not yet possible to know the number of employes which will be required. Two persons are required to run each machine and there will be a number of people employed in box making, putting up and labeling the matches. The machines used in the making of the matches will also be made here.

WHO WAS IT?

Funny Story Told About Two Young Men, a Girl and a Mandolin.

A rather amusing story is being told around town of a young man, another young man and a mandolin. The first young man owned the mandolin and the second young man, who is fond of music has no mandolin and a very limited income, borrowed the instrument of his friend, the first young man. On Tuesday night the first young man went to the opera house to see Effie Shannon and Herbert Kelcey in "A Coat of Many Colors," and was very much surprised to find the second young man, together with his best girl, occupying seats in the dress circle and having a fine time. With thoughts of the limited income of the second young man in his mind the first young man the next morning started out on a tour of inspection. At a well known pawn shop he found his mandolin and the second young man has spent most of his spare time since in trying not to run up against the first young man and the explanation which would follow the meeting.

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Another story comes from the railroad circles. Last spring all the stations along a certain railroad line running out of Decatur were supplied with penny-in-the-slot machines and in the fall a small station near Chicago was closed for the winter. Recently the clerk in the office of the chief dispatcher here was instructed to wire to a lineman who was making repairs along the line near this station, to make investigation and find out if there was a penny in-the-slot machine at this station and if there was to send it on to the office here. The following day the lineman wired back: "I don't know whether there is a penny in the slot machine here or not," the message ran. "I can't get the darned thing open."

IN HONOR OF GUESTS.

Mrs. J. D. Moore Entertained Yesterday and This Afternoon.

Mrs. J. D. Moore of West William street entertained yesterday and this afternoon at cards in honor of her guests, Mrs. H. E. Amsden and Miss Magill of Clinton. The hours were on each occasion from 2:30 to 5:30 and the party entertained both yesterday and today consisted of 12 young ladies. Elaborate luncheons were served.

SAMUEL STREEVER DEAD.

Passed Away at Argenta—Leaves a Widow and Three Children.

Samuel Streever, the well known stock raiser and grain dealer at Argenta, died this morning at his home in the 80th year of his age, due to heart failure. The deceased was a veteran of the late war. He leaves a widow and three children, also a brother, Rare Streever. The funeral will probably be held on Sunday.

MAY SHUT OUT HORSES.

Germany Getting Very Particular as to American Quadrupeds.

Berlin, Feb. 4.—The minister of agriculture said in the Prussian diet today that American horses have developed influenza after importation and added: "If importations increase we shall certainly be forced to adopt suitable quarantine to protect ourselves."

Execution in Germany.

Berlin, Ont., Feb. 4.—James Allison was hanged here today for the murder of Mrs. Anthony Orr, near Galt, August 9. Allison, who was a dull witted lad of 18, was employed on Mrs. Orr's farm and confessed to having killed her with an axe. The motive for the murder advanced at the trial was revenge for Mrs. Orr's refusal of his improper attentions.

A. F. Filley of Fairbury has received three imported Dorset Horn sheep, the first of this breed in this part of the country.

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A SENATOR AND A WIDOW.

BY CHARLES B. LEWIS.

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SYNOPSIS

The narrator, with five others, is a passenger on the Deadwood stage one August morning. Among his companions are State Senator Jones and the widow Childers. The stage is held up by a solitary highwayman. The men give up their money without resistance, but the widow shoots at the robber, wounding him in the shoulder. After securing his booty the man disappears, leaving the travelers free to continue their journey. But the widow declares her intention of pursuing the robber and getting back the three hundred dollars that has been taken from her. After some hesitation the senator agrees to help in the pursuit. He is evidently deeply impressed with the widow. The others return to the stage. Mrs. Childers denounces them as cowards, and starts off with the senator.

PART II

We had scarcely got seated in the stage when a burning desire to recover our lost prestige seized upon each one. We began to defend our cowardly conduct to each other, and it was unanimously concluded that we had exhibited a great amount of prudence, even if not a little courage. We called the widow a—a—well, a woman, and the senator a fool, for starting off after a road-agent with only a single weapon and not one chance in a thousand of finding him, and we agreed that the driver had shown utter loss of nerve in pulling up the way he did and not encouraging us to resistance.

As to recovering our lost prestige, we looked to the army man to suggest ways and means. He refused to become a leader. When some of us expressed surprise and indignation he calmly replied:

"Gentlemen, I went to West Point and learnt the science of war. The science of hold-up is an unknown quantity to me. It's my business to fight, but to fight according to rules laid down in civilized warfare. I had about sixty dollars in my pocket. It was either give up the money or get bored by that highwayman, and I gave it up. I'm not aching to meet him again unless I can have a fair show. If any of the rest of you are, then go ahead."

Two of us were satisfied with the explanation. One of the prospectors wasn't. He thought our duty to our country and to ourselves and to each other demanded action—immediate action—the most aggressive kind of action—and his voice was ringing through the tree-tops, when the stage came to a sudden halt again. It was on a level spot, with the bushes almost touching the wheels, and we concluded that some accident had happened. I poked my head out of the window, and saw a man with a gun just beyond the lead horses. That he was another road agent went without further proof.

"How many ye got inside?" he asked of the placid driver on the box.

"Only four," was the reply.

"Wall, you keep a tight rein on them hosses while I do a leetle bizness fur the sake of the money in it. If ye try any tricks on me I'll bring ye tumblin' down!"

"I know my bizness," growled the driver, "and these hosses won't move 'till ye gin the word. Wish ye'd do me the favor to hurry up, as I'm an hour behind time now."

Not a man of us had a dollar to hand over, and as the agent advanced and ordered us down, we felt that the joke would be on him. We descended, lined up, with the lieutenant at the head, lifted our arms above our heads, and then the fellow noticed the smile and said:

"Seems to be a mighty good-natured sort of a crowd here to-day, but don't any of ye try any gun games on this chicken! Here you"—this to the lieutenant—"shell out."

"I've nothing to shell," replied the officer.

"I say shell out, and don't gin me any gab over it, either!"

"We were held up and cleaned out an hour ago, and not one of us has a dime!"

"Is that so!" yelled the agent, at the driver.

"That's so," was the reply.

Then the agent began to rip and cuss and make cold-blooded threats. He seemed to think it was all our fault that we had been held up, and would listen to no word of argument. However, after getting a close description of the other man he began to cool off and said:

"I reckon that was my partner, and he held ye up alone 'cause I was two hours behind time. If he was the one it'll be all right, and I'll git my whack. I'll lie in and git along with ye."

I'm ashamed to say that there were four or five opportunities for us to have fallen upon this second man, as he grew very careless after learning that we had been robbed, but not one of us took advantage of him. He turned his back on us and walked off before the last man had entered the stage, and one of the prospectors had just begun blustering around as to what we ought to have done when the driver leaned over and asked:

"Are ye all in thar'?"

"Yes, all in."

"Then shet up. Of all the durned blow-hards I ever carried as passengers, this crowd takes the cake! If I h'ar another word of bluster from any of ye I'll drive the hull outfit off the road into a ravine and smash ye to squash!"

We thought he was advising us for the best, and during the remainder of the ride to Black Hill we had little to say, and what we did say was expressed in whispers.

As we rolled along in one direction the widow and the senator were footing it in the other.

There wasn't a man in the west who wouldn't have laughed at the idea of a man and a woman tracking up the foothill in search of a desperate road-agent. Now and then the senator wavered, dimly realizing the position, but the widow grew even more determined and courageous as they advanced. Having reached the crest of the hill they beat about for an hour, and it was the woman who first discovered the lair of the robber. At the foot of a great mass of rock, with an over-hang to make an open cave of it, was the spot, and there were two robbers instead of one. The man who had robbed the stage first was there, and the other one seemed to have but lately arrived.

The first robber had his left arm in a sling, having received the widow's bullet in the shoulder, but the wound didn't seem to annoy him much. The spot could be approached from three different directions, and the men were eating and drinking and not over-watchful. When the woman went back to the senator with her information his knees weakened and he said:

"Madam, my profession is politics and office-holding, and I rather think I shall back out of this adventure at this juncture."

"Then you are a coward!" she exclaimed.

"I fear I am. To some men are given political leadership—to others what you term sand. I find myself lacking in the latter essential, and I beg of you to retire with me and let me send a posse here to capture the desperadoes."

"Senator Jones," she retorted, as she looked him in the eyes, "it will be known that you were held up and made a fool of. Also, that you set out on this hunt with me. If you show the white feather now, I'll give you away to every newspaper in the state, and you'll be ridiculed out of office and never get another!"

"I think I see the point," he slowly replied.

"Then help me capture those men. We can do it if you'll do your share. If you leave me I'll try it alone. You've got to fish or cut bait!"

"The more I hear you talk the more I am convinced that we should marry. I will lay aside politics for the time being, and endeavor to acquire sand."

His endeavors were crowned with success. Ten minutes later they crept forward in company to survey the robbers' camp, and when they had retired a little the widow planned the attack. She would approach from the north—the senator from the south, each holding a weapon in readiness to fire.

"If we are discovered we must begin to shoot," warned the widow. "If we get close enough to hold them up you will find something to tie their arms, while I menace them with my rifle. Remember what I have told you. If you make a flunk of it, you are a doomed politician. Your best friends will turn out to ride you on a rail. Now go!"

She went at the same moment, and so well was the matter planned that both had approached within twenty feet of the camp before they were discovered. The two robbers sprang to their feet, and the woman made ready to fire, but something happened to restrain her hand. State Senator Jones uttered an ear-splitting war-whoop and dropped his rifle and rushed in. He was a big man and a strong one, and, aroused by the excitement of the moment, he knocked the wounded man down with his fist, and caught the other and flung him against the rocks with such force as to knock the breath out of his body. He was using his fist on the fellow when the widow pulled him away and ordered him to find ropes. He found plenty of straps instead, and before the robbers realized what had happened, both were safely secured. The senator seemed to lose his head entirely in the excitement, but the widow calmly said to him:

"Keep a cool head, senator, and let's go over this plunder. You are a man of sand, and we'll have that little talk later on."

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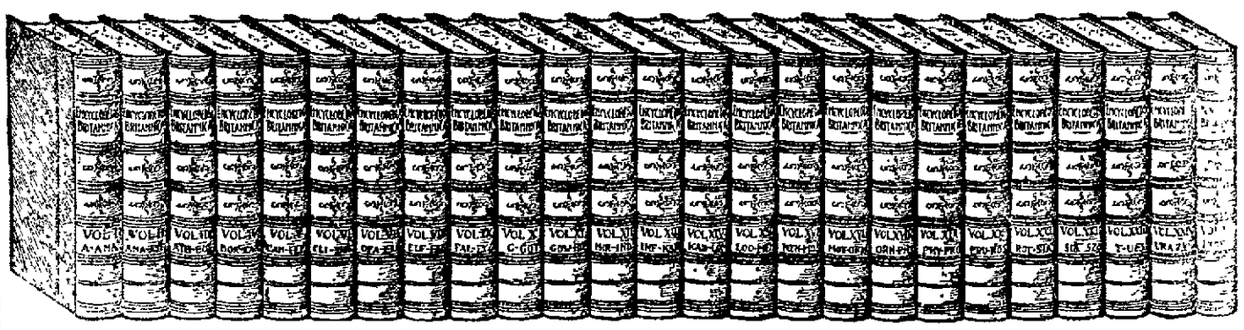

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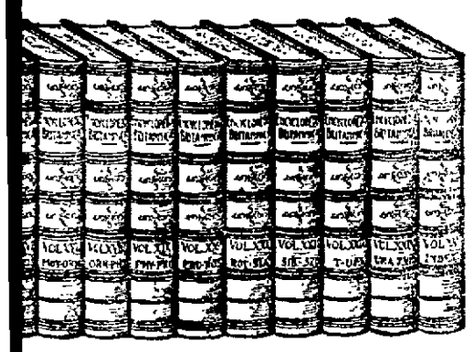

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If the crowd is to be accommodated next year the farmers' institute will have to be held in a 40-acre lot. The annual winter show has grown too big for the court house.

To all the dear children of God scattered abroad in Decatur we send greetings. You are invited to the gospel feast on the corner of North Church and Park ard streets every evening at 7:30 o'clock. On Sundays preaching at 2 p. m. Sunday school at 3:30 p. m. All are invited both saint and sinner are made welcome, where you will hear the glorious truth of redemption, justification, sanctification, unity of all believers and divine healing are set forth in the light of the Bible. Come! No collection. Read Rev. 22:17. Church of the Living God.

Father Macken Improving.

Very Rev. Father P. J. Macken, who has been seriously ill, is greatly improved. He is still very weak but he is rapidly recovering.

Reserve Your Seats Tomorrow

At the last Y. M. C. A. entertainment every seat in the opera house was sold long before the doors were opened and many people were turned away. About 50 people paid for standing room and 300 occupied seats in the gallery. The attraction next Tuesday evening is first class. Marshall P. Wilder, the prince of humorists, will draw an immense audience and it will be well for those wishing seats to secure them early tomorrow morning.

PERSONAL TAX NOTICE.

All persons having Personal Tax against them on the tax books for 1897 have been mailed a card stating the amount for the same. You are requested to call at my office and pay the same and save additional costs.

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MARKET FOR CORN

The Cereal Mills of Central Illinois a Big Thing

WHEAT AND CORN FLOUR

Decatur Has Two of the Largest Mills in the Country — Farmers Have a Permanent Market at Home.

The farmers' institute afforded the city and country people generally a splendid opportunity to learn a good deal about the new food product, the blending of corn and wheat flour. Representatives of the two Decatur cereal mills, conducted by the Shellabarger and Pratt companies, had very creditable exhibits and gave the people by the cookery process substantial evidence of the new uses of corn flour—corn which is the chief profitable product of Central Illinois and the Mississippi Valley. The use of corn flour blended with wheat flour, means a great deal not only for the farmers of Illinois, but also for Decatur. Our city is already famous in America and also in Europe as the place where corn flour and other corn products, in active demand, are manufactured in great quantities. The output of the Pratt & Co. and Shellabarger mills is up to the limit of the mills, consuming 13,000 bushels of corn every day, and running night and day to fill the accumulating orders. One of the Decatur firms received a big order for corn grits and other goods the other day—something like 500 carloads to be sent to New York for shipment to Europe. To fill this order alone will require steady running for nearly 10 months, and all the time white corn will be needed, and ready money will be in circulation. There will be no necessity for Macon county or other farmers holding their corn in future. They have the best market in the world at Decatur, and the cereal mills have brought it about.

THE BILL IN CONGRESS.

The flour interests of the northwest are against Decatur and the farmers of central Illinois. The flour men are losing their market and consequently they are striving to have a tax put on corn flour. The bill has been introduced in congress. The corn flour manufacturers are fighting the tax feature of the bill, and farmers at the institute signed the petition against the passage of the measure.

In this connection we publish a letter prepared by R. E. Pratt & Co., Chicago, and sent to Congressman J. R. Mann at Washington. The letter, which is well written, reading as follows:

"Some few days since we understand there was a bill introduced to congress and one about the same time of a similar character to the senate by a senator. This bill suggested that an internal revenue tax be placed on blended flour made from corn flour and wheat flour mixed. The bill looks harmless, undoubtedly, on its face, and is offered on the ground that great adulteration is being carried on, and that wheat flour is being very much adulterated by corn flour. As a matter of fact this bill was introduced at the behest of Barnet Eckhart of this city, who is a large wheat miller as well as politician, which you undoubtedly know. It is the real work however, of the northwestern millers' combine. The charge of adulteration of wheat flour is only a minor one. To go at it from a matter of fact standpoint, if any of this is being done it is being done very quietly and by the people who introduced this bill, but its real aim is to shut off a competition that has sprung up for them in the last year. Nearly all of the country south of the Ohio river is at present using flour made and blended in the manner referred to above, namely, wheat and corn flour mixed, and it is sold for such. It is better liked in the south than straight wheat flour and is really superseding that article. Illinois and adjacent states have found a new market for their corn and it has excited the jealousy of the northwestern wheat miller. Many hundred barrels of corn flour per day are being made in the west and finds ready sale south and a corresponding decrease in the demand for northwestern wheat flour is, of course, being experienced. This government has already spent a great deal of money to find a better market home and abroad for its corn products. As you doubtless know, the production of corn in this country is four and one-half times that of wheat, hence the desire for a profitable market for his corn. Immediately that a market is found that threatens a curtailment of wheat flour to any extent the cry is raised that it is adulterated and must be taxed. This, we think, is about the most ridiculous and iniquitous proceeding that ever threatened any food article. In the first place, if it was being mixed with wheat flour and sold without the customer knowing it, it would not be half as bad as represented. Whatever else may have been said about corn flour, it cannot be said, nor has it ever been said, that it was injurious in the least to the consumer. If this statement is true (and we challenge any one to dispute it) why should we be so anxious to place an embargo on it, while it is well known that nearly every other food article that is adulterated is done so with inferior articles which are injurious to the consumer. Why should every other food article that is adulterated be passed by and this one article singled out for legislation? We have no objection whatever to any pure food laws which may be passed and which apply to all articles alike, but we have decided objections to singling out this article, never even charged as being injurious, and a tax placed on it.

But, coming back to the original proposition. We insist that very little, if any, corn flour has been mixed with wheat flour and sold as straight wheat flour. This may have been done in a few isolated instances, as there are always some unscrupulous individuals to take advantage of customers, but even so it is not so very bad. Glucose is made of corn and is mixed with our syrups and our sugars to a very large extent. Buyers until very recently supposed they were getting pure cane molasses and cane sugar, but inasmuch as it is well known now that glucose is mixed in and as they found very little difference in the goods with this mixture in them, they have ceased to say anything about the matter and continue to consume as before. This would undoubtedly be true with corn flour. However, we have not the slightest objection to any pure food law or any law passed simply insisting on these goods being branded exactly what they are. We are met in this case with the argument that congress cannot pass any laws unless they are internal revenue laws, and must, therefore, place a tax in order to properly regulate. We deny this allegation in toto It is not necessary for congress to pass any law on this subject any more than any other subject of a kindred nature The necessity does not exist any more than it does in every other article of food that is consumed, and if it exists at all it exists for all alike. Some of the state legislatures in the west have taken this question up and in every instance have concluded that the necessity did not exist for any such regulation act.

We have gone into this matter not as much in detail as we might, but we think fully enough to lay the matter before you as it is. The great body of consumers of flour are interested in this question, especially the poor man who must buy the cheapest flour he can get in order to sustain life with the pittance he receives for his labor. The mixture of corn flour and wheat flour comes a good deal cheaper than "Pillsbury's Best," and fills every want. Should this day laborer be taxed by the government on the flour he eats, while the rich man who revels in "Pillsbury's Best" pays no tax whatever? The farmer in the great corn belt is also interested in this question. Corn has ruled very cheap for several years, while wheat is at a high price. If new uses are found for corn flour whereby the price has a chance of becoming augmented and whereby he finds a readier market for the disposal of his crop, should the government step in and place an embargo on it? There is already a large public sentiment in the west springing up against anything of this kind as injurious to both farmer and consumer, and it is gradually dawning on the people that this will benefit no one but the northwestern millers' combine.

At a recent meeting of the national board of trade held at Washington a strong effort was made by the representatives of the combine to have a resolution adopted, recommending the placing of a tax on blended flour. Strenuous efforts were made to pass this resolution and its advocates had the field to themselves, but notwithstanding this, it was soon found that a resolution recommending a tax could not be passed and they had to be content with a resolution recommending that the flour be branded just what it really is, and this passed the committee by only a narrow majority. As a matter of fact, there is no call for legislation on this subject except from the combine before referred to, and we feel quite confident that the people will see to it through their representatives that no such legislation, inimical both to the interests of the farmer and the laborer alike, is passed."

Meeting of King's Daughters.

The King's Daughters of East Park chapel met with Mrs. Aldrich on Wednesday afternoon. There were 17 ladies present. The officers are:

Leader—Mrs. Haedel.
Assistant Leader—Mrs. Aldrich.
Secretary—Mrs. Carter.
Treasurer—Mrs. Allen.

It is the intention of the ladies to purchase a new carpet for the chapel some time during the year and a social will be given in March to raise the amount necessary for the purchase.

Surprised.

About 30 of the friends of Miss Ina Kincaid called at her home on North Clinton street last evening to assist her in the celebration of her birthday anniversary. Miss Kincaid had sent out no invitations and was very much surprised as they meant she should be. Mrs. Kincaid, together with Misses Marie Steinbach and Minnie Heimbacher, planned the party. Supper was served at 10 o'clock.

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Job of Cleaning the Court House a Big One.

CORRIDORS WERE LITTERED

With Grains of Corn and Scraps of All Kinds—Place Does Not Seem to Have Been Injured.

The job of cleaning the court house after the farmers' institute was a bigger one than might be imagined. Hundreds of people visited the place every day and during the three days of the institute there were probably more people in the court than ever before in the same length of time. They necessarily carried in a great deal of dirt. When the tables had been cleared out the place was very dirty. Corn and other grains and scraps of papers and pieces of vegetables littered the floor. Four or five men were put to work last night and the place was swept out. It was a kind of muss that was hard to clean out as the grain was scattered into every little crack. This morning the place was in a presentable condition.

The court house does not seem to have been damaged any on account of the institute. The tile floor is a little darker in color than it was before but the woodwork does not seem to be scratched or defaced and the place is in such better order than would be supposed after such a large crowd had been in it.

CLOSE OF THE INSTITUTE.

Sale of the Exhibits Yesterday Afternoon—Disposed of at Different Prices.

At the close of the farmers' institute an auction sale was held and all of the exhibits were sold, W. H. Knight of Harristown acting as auctioneer. The apple exhibits sold from 15c to $1.50. Canned fruits averaged about 50 cents, and cakes sold for from 20 cents to $1.50. There were 100 pounds of butter, which sold from 10 to 50 cents per pound. The vegetables on the second floor were sold for very low prices. All of the clover seed went for $1.25. The other grains sold for an amount something over the regular market price.

The following is a copy of the resolutions which were introduced yesterday afternoon by a committee composed of M. J. Roberts, George Johnson and John McKinley, and were passed:

"Resolved, That we extend our thanks to our presiding officer, W. H. Bean, for the efficient manner in which he has presided over the meetings of the institute, and that we express our appreciation of the work of the secretary, C. A. Thrift, and all the other officers and committeemen, whose intelligent and voluntary efforts have so much contributed to make this institute a success.

"Resolved, That our thanks are due to Judge E. P. Vail for his courtesy, in adjourning court that we might have the use of the court room.

"Resolved, That we are under especial obligations, and hereby express our sincere thanks to the press for their kindly aid, and to all who have so generously given special premiums, to those who have furnished us instructive papers and eloquent talks, to Professor Westhoff and the Decatur High school, also all other talented musicians, who have so pleasantly entertained us, to Professor Lutz for the use of his piano, and to all who in any way have contributed to the pleasure and interest of the institute meetings.

Fined for Gaming.

Fred Phoenix was taken before Justice Hardy yesterday afternoon and pleaded guilty to keeping a gaming house. He was fined $25 and costs. Phoenix paid his fine and was released.

Friends Entertained.

Miss Lou Hott of West Wood street entertained a number of friends on Wednesday evening. Cards, dancing and music were the amusements. Refreshments were served.

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WEATHER.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Illinois: Partly cloudy; unsettled tonight with warmer in the east and southern portions; Saturday partly cloudy, colder by afternoon; increasing southerly winds.

A Loud Silence.

Boston Advertiser: It may be noted that the distressing anxiety of Democrat ic newspapers regarding the ability of the Dingley tariff law to earn sufficient revenue for the needs of the nation has suddenly ceased, or at least is not expressed so strongly and so constantly as was formerly the case. The sudden and remarkable silence which has fallen upon the Democratic press in this connection is of a character which really speaks louder than words. It is more clamorous than the clamor of a few months ago. In a way, it demands more attention than the Democratic editorials which appeared almost every day during the first few months of the operation of the Dingley law.

Perhaps one explanation of the sudden indifference, the complete loss of anxiety and the disposition to ignore the matter entirely, may be found in the showing made by the receipts nder the Dingley bill in the recent past. When the ad ustment of the treasury accounts for December showed that there had been no deficit for that month and that even a surplus had been created, the distaste of Democratic journals to any further discussion of revenue matters first became evident.

Although these journals had taken pleasure for months in expressing their opinion that the Dingley bill could not possibly earn enough revenue to meet the ordinary expenditures, and that the country was in a bad way in consequence, yet when it appears that the receipts for the present month, for example are tremendously in excess of the average receipts under the German law (and indeed will reach a figure never attained in any month by the German law during the last administration) our Democratic contemporaries as a rule seem to avoid the subject, as eagerly as a red-shirted fireman would get out of the way of a mad bull in a two acre lot.

Perhaps, however, the working of the Dingley law in the recent past has escaped the attention of the ordinary Democratic editor, who now seems far more interested in events in China or the Soudan. From the ghastly grief and somber sorrow shown by Democratic journals generally over the fate of the country from a revenue standpoint four or five months ago, one may eagerly anticipate the delirious joy with which those journals will suddenly realize some day that the country is not going to the dogs after all, and that the Dingley law is earning more money each month than the German law ever produced under President Cleveland.

American Fruit in Germany.

Germany for many years has tried to discriminate against American farm products. It pretended to fear the pork worm in American pork and placed an embargo on it prohibiting its importation within the realm. Next Germany shut out American beef on the pretence of a fear of pleuro-pneumonia. We managed to overcome German scruples on these points and American pork and American beef went to Germany, but has been several times interrupted. Now Germany finds American fruit dangerous to the health of the German people and has placed an embargo on it. This latter move is supposed to smack of retaliation because the Dingley tariff bill noted the fact that Germany was paying an export bounty on her sugar to meet which the Dingley bill provides an extra tariff on all sugars imported from countries paying an export duty. This hits Germany and it don't like it and has attacked American fruit.

There is only one way to meet such a proceeding and that is retaliation which Dingley promptly suggests. The United States cannot afford to be trifled with in any such way and the way to sure it is to put an embargo on German sugar and at once and forever end this foolish play.

But there is another question which haunts the free traders of this country. They hold that nothing else could be expected as the result of a protective tariff and by implication exhonorate Germany, thus again exemplifying the serious fact that the American free trader is always against his own country and making excuses for our competitors across the sea.

This reminds us that our free traders were out of the tariff business in 1896. They told us the tariff question had been settled by the bill which Cleveland called infamous. They wanted free silver or rather wanted silver as an issue because they knew they dared not go before the American people on the tariff. During that campaign it was not an uncommon thing for these free traders to assail the Republican party for being controlled by the capitalists of the old world and they howled themselves hoarse demanding that we legislate on our own hook regardless of what Europe might think to the contrary. They were very bold then and posed as intense Americans. Why don't they stick to that now in the case of Germany? Why don't they say with Dingley that the way to bring Germany to time is by retaliation? It is strange that American free traders are for Europe and European labor and the European farmer on the tariff that affects business at home, while they prate for American independence when it comes to the proposition of disgracing ourselves by issuing or coining cheap dollars. The American free trader is a logical bird indeed.

There is great discontent in England over the supposed backdown of the government in the Chinese complication. Perhaps England is deferring too much to business at the expense of patriotism, which is a fatal error in any government. The people generally know when war is preferrable to a backdown and after all the people do the dying in case of war.

The Cuban question seems to be getting quite hot again. The American people are prepared to warm at the fire no matter how hot it may become.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 4.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yes't'day's.
Wheat—					
Feb.....	—	—	—	98	98
May.....	94⅞	95⅛	94⅛	95⅛	94⅝
July.....	84⅜	84⅝	83⅞	84⅝	84⅛
Corn—					
Feb.....	—	—	—	27⅛	27
May.....	29⅛	29⅝	29	29½	29
July.....	30⅛	30⅜	30⅛	30⅛	30⅛
Oats—					
Feb.....	—	—	—	24⅛	23⅝
May.....	24⅛	24⅝	24⅛	24⅝	24⅛
Pork—					
May.....	10 10	10 30	10 10	10.27½	10.20
Lard					
May.....	4 90	4 97	4.90	4.97	4 95
Ribs					
May.....	5.02	5 10	5 00	5 10	5.05

May wheat: Puts, 94⅝; Calls, 96⅛; Curb, 95⅝.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.
Wheat—22; Estimated, 35; a year ago, 19
Corn—218; Estimated, 260; a year ago, 534
Oats—102; Estimated, 145; a year ago, 281.

Estimates for To-Morrow.
Wheat, 40; Corn, 450; Oats, 120.

Hogs.
Hog receipts, 22,000. Estimated 23,000.
Market easy.
Light, $3.70@$3.87; Mixed $3 75@$3.95, Heavy $3.80@$3.95; Rough, $3.65@$3.75.
Estimated for to-morrow, 21,000.

Cattle.
Cattle receipts, 3,500. Market steady.

Brass Band

Will not play but if you will come in and see us we will give you a song on prices of everything in the eatable line that will interest you. You can't afford to miss us. Come early. Yours for trade, T. T. SPRINGER, 124 South Water street.

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Winegarner—Smith.

Married—At the bride's home, six miles west of Decatur, J. E. Winegarner and Miss E. V. Smith were united in marriage by Rev. J. G. Jeffres. After the ceremony an elegant supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Winegarner will reside on the W. H. Cross farm about five miles west of the city.

Wanted to See Corbett.

There was a large crowd of people at the depot this morning to see James J. Corbett. Every place that Corbett went the crowd followed him and when he stood still on the platform they gathered around him. Corbett and his company left on the Illinois Central for La Salle, where they will appear tonight.

Dr. J. E. White of Urbana, was elected one of the supreme medical directors of the Court of Honor.

A Timely Friend.

With perfect propriety may we call that excellent remedy, Salvation Oil, a timely friend. This liniment rapidly cures rheumatism, neuralgia and pains, when other remedies fail. Mr. Jno. M. Hall, Ashland, Va., writes: "I suffered with rheumatism in the ankle and the muscles connected therewith. Salvation Oil at once relieved the soreness, reduced the swelling, and cured the pain. No other liniment that I ever used did me so much good."

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TONSORIAL PHILOSOPHY.

A Washington Barber Talks About His Customers.

Some He Likes, Others He Thinks Too Small for Any Use—Bits of History Which Have Never Been Printed.

[Special Washington Letter.]

"I would just as lief shave the western senator as not," said a barber in a prominent hotel in the national capital, "if he would only pay me for the trouble that I am obliged to take with him. Of course the price of a shave is only 15 cents, but nearly all of the guests of prominent hotels are men of wealth and they usually pay the barber a quarter, or give him a bigger tip, occasionally, than that. The western senator, however, never pays more than 15 cents for a shave. His skin is very thin and his beard is very tough, and unless I am very careful I am liable to draw blood on him. If a single drop of blood appears and he discovers it, then there is a terrific row, for he is a very eccentric sort of a person. He sent for me to come to his room last Sunday morning and give him a shave there, and I did so. He sat in a rocking chair and leaned very far back while I was shaving. I guess he must have fallen asleep, because he had a sort of convulsive twitch and pushed his feet out against the mantel piece so that he fell over backward and struck his head upon the floor of the room. I dropped my razor instantly and grabbed him as he was falling, so that I saved him from the full force of the fall and I think that maybe I saved his life or saved him from serious injury. At any rate, after I had finished shaving him, I expected some sort of a reward, but got my regular 15 cents and nothing else. If he were like other men who are shaved as regular customers I would not mind this matter of receiving no tip at all, but he requires unusual attention and extraordinary care. He insists upon having five hot towels applied to his face and five cold towels afterward. The towel washing alone costs at least half the price of the shave, and I give him at least twice as much as I have give to other customers who come here. Of course his position is such as to command consideration on the part of the barber, and I am glad to be able to say that he is one of my customers; nevertheless, I feel that I am losing money whenever I give him my time and skill and attention.

"One of the most delightful men I ever had in a barber's chair is Congressman Joe Cannon, of Illinois. He only shaves his upper lip, and it would be a comparatively easy job but for the fact that he is one of those red-haired, red-skinned people, who have a very stiff bristling beard, and it is very difficult to take care of him without making any bad breaks. Moreover, he shaves his upper lip clear up to the nose, and it is difficult to give him exactly the kind of a shave he wants without cutting his nose. He is a very liberal man and always pay more that the work is worth, so that I have a great deal of pleasure in

A CLOSE SHAVE.

taking pains with him. Moreover, he is always in a good humor and tells stories to the barber just as freely as though he was talking to other congressmen, senators, or, I suppose, would talk to the president himself.

"I always like to shave Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania. He is another man who pays for more than the service is actually worth. His beard is not very hard to shave, but he likes to have me take my time about it, and almost goes to sleep while being shaved. He has been a sufferer from neuralgia for a great many years and likes to have his head rubbed. I suppose there must be something in magnetism, of which I have heard, but of which I know very little, because Senator Quay likes to have me rub his head for a long while. After I have done shaving him I sometimes rub his head for ten or fifteen minutes, and on some occasions I have rubbed his head a great deal longer than that. He seems to be entirely at rest and free from care at such times, and I keep on rubbing his head until he tells me that he has had enough of that treatment and then I quit. I like him very well, because he is so gentle and kind and considerate with me, and I would serve him all day long if he would only say so, and it would be a pleasure for me to do so. He is one of the nicest gentlemen that I ever had in my chair and when I am through with my work he always pays me very liberally indeed I have shaved a great many men of prominence and a great many men of obscurity and a great many men in the middle walks of life, but I do not think I ever received better and kindlier treatment from anyone than I have always received from Senator Quay. He is certainly a perfect gentleman.

"I like to shave Senator Allison's private secretary, Mr. Morgan. He is one of the most quiet and refined young men I ever met in my life, and he is also very liberal. He is not nervous, or fretful, or fault-finding, as so many men are when they are in the barber's chair; but he is always polite and quiet, and says: 'Thank you' for every attention so that I feel as though I was serving one of the chosen people. I have been told by other people who have been in my chair that that same quiet little private secretary of Senator Allison is one of the most influential men in the capitol building. He does not make any pretensions, and always talks in a very low tone of voice without any degree of excitement and apparently without any degree of particular interest in anything, but gentlemen of high standing who have been in my chair have told me he is a very shrewd and sagacious politician, who knows more of public men than any other man in private life in the country. I do not know anything about those things myself, but I am sure from what people have said to me that he must be a very superior man, indeed, in the higher walks of life.

"The Washington correspondent of a prominent Pennsylvania newspaper has boarded at this hotel and I have shaved him a number of times, too. He is a very impetuous sort of a fellow, who wants everything done according to his own way of thinking, and he has very little respect for the opinion of the barber. There are several particular places upon his face, where the beard is very rough, and he insists upon having those places shaved very smooth. If everything is not done exactly as he

HELPING THE YOUNG WIDOW.

wants it, he declares that he is not half shaved. Nearly all newspaper men are cranks when they are in the barber's chair."

"It is difficult to get some of the senators and representatives to sit for their photographs," says one of the prominent photographers in Washington. "We give them each a dozen pictures for nothing, if they come and have a sitting. Of course, it is to our interest to have their negatives on hand, for we sell them in great numbers. Besides, they often want pictures taken in Washington, even after their term of office has expired. Yet, at the time when we want to complete our pictorial congressional record, it is almost impossible to get them to come and give us a sitting. I sometimes get newspaper men after them, and that always brings them."

"J. B. Hawley, of Hawleyville, Conn." That was the address upon a card which was handed to a lady on the cars in 1868. She was only 19 years of age, and was in trouble. One little boy with her was nearly two years old, and she had another one just two months old in her arms. She was a very young mother and was traveling alone. Her pocket had been picked, her ticket and money were gone, and the train was rapidly approaching the great city of New York. Naturally her eyes were full of tears and her sobs attracted attention. J. B. Hawley asked her some questions, and elicited the fact that she was on her way from Canada to meet her husband in Rahway, N. J. She hadn't even money to pay her way across town to the ferry which would take her to Jersey City. Mr. Hawley offered her a five-dollar bill. She declined to receive it, but accepted a dollar, and asked his address so that she might return it. He gave her a card with the above address. She went to the Taylor house, where her husband was well known, and was soon joined by him there.

"J. B. Hawley, of Hawleyville," did a good day's work in helping the young mother. She was the wife of a soldier, and in after years the incident largely resulted in aiding the kind gentleman in his aspirations for political preferment. He was elected and reelected to the United States senate, and to-day represents the state of Connecticut in that distinguished body. This incident has never been related in print before.

At the battle of Cedar Creek, in October, 1864, there was displayed great gallantry on both sides, and the mention of one particular deed of bravery is not intended to militate against the merits of thousands of others. In the afternoon, after Sheridan had completed his ride "from Winchester, 20 miles away," after he had reformed the lines of his shattered army and was advancing, the army of Western Virginia was ordered to charge across a morass. The confederate troops were on the one side, with loaded muskets, and with artillery. The commander of one of the brigades in that army was an Ohio colonel. He was fighting on foot leading his men. The morass stopped the men, but the colonel commanding the brigade went right on, floundering through mud almost waist deep. He was shot once, and his clothes were actually riddled with bullets, but he went ahead, waving his sword, and the men followed. He was the first man over the slough. His name was Rutherford B. Hayes, and he was afterwards president of this republic.

SMITH D. FRY.

A Division.

"Well, Pat, did your father leave you anything in his will?"

"Yes, sir; he left me part of the house, and me brother has divided it. He has kept the inside and I have the outside."—The Rival.

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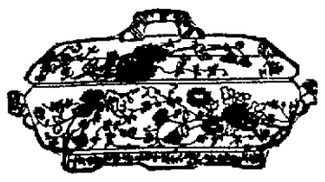

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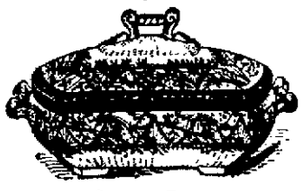

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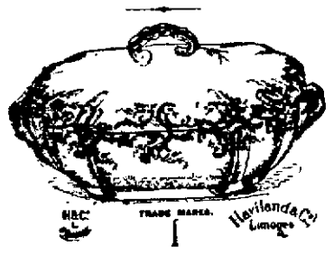

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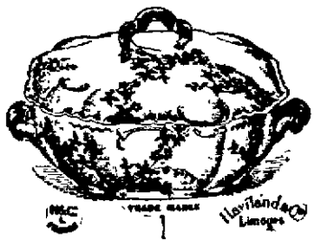

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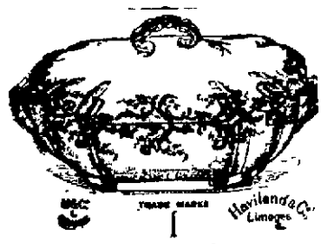

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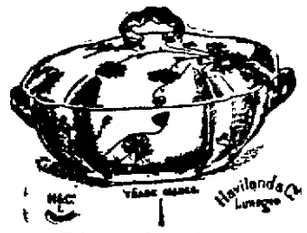

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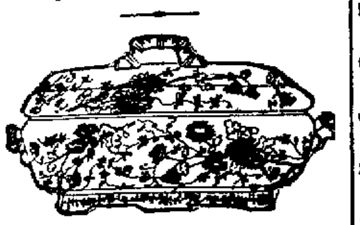

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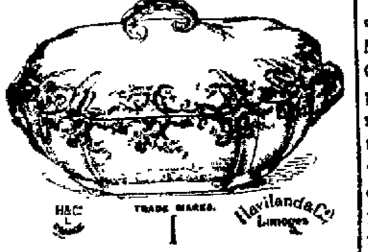

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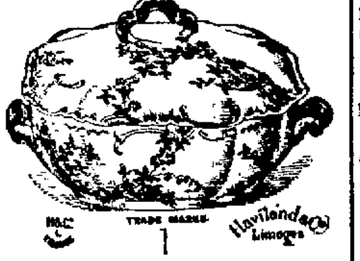

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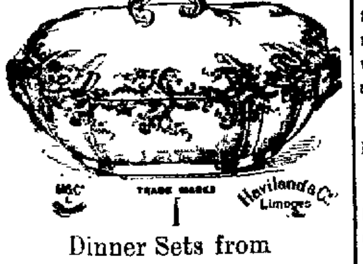

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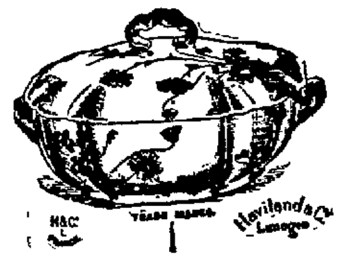

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PERSONAL.

—Mrs. S. J. Bumstead is ill.

—Miss Rose Railing is in Springfield.

—William Fisher of Oakley is in the city.

—A. N. Sutton of Tuscola is in the city.

—Mr. O. Sweet of Moweaqua shopped in the city today.

—Robert Sipe of Atwood is the guest of Charles Traver.

—Dr. Enos left today for Marion, Ind., on a business trip.

—Rev. J. W. Boggess left this morning for Campton, Ill.

—Miss Daisy Herber of Macon is visiting with Decatur friends.

—Trainmaster J. F. Porterfield of the Illinois Central, was in the city today.

—Miss Floy Gasaway is the guest of friends at Mishawaka.

—Mrs. Ford of Chicago is the guest of Mrs. Catherine Monden.

—Mrs. J. D. Moore is entertaining Mrs. H. E. Amsden and Miss McGill of Clinton.

—Superintendent R. B. Starbuck of the P., D. & E., passed through the city today on his way to Peoria.

—Rev. J. W. Boggess, who has been the guest of his family this week, will return tomorrow morning to Fairmount.

—Alexander Bell is ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. B. G. Henry of West Decatur street.

—Frank Campbell, trainmaster of the Vandalia, was in the city today on business.

—Joseph Reed, formerly road supervisor for the Illinois Central, was in the city today from Vandalia. He was accompanied by his wife.

—C. H. Irwin and wife left this afternoon for Litchfield, where Mrs. Irwin will remain with her sister and aunt during Mr. Irwin's stay in Alaska.

—Rev. and Mrs. Luttenberger are guests of Decatur friends today today en route from Bement to Oreana, where Rev. Luttenberger will deliver a lecture tonight.

To Find a Mail Route.

Washington Feb. 4.—The secretary of war telegraphed instructions to General Merriam, comanding the department of Columbia, to organize and send an exploring expedition over the Copper river route in Alaska for the purpose of ascertaining whether a practicable summer or winter route, wholly within the territory of the United States, for mail and supplies or for mail alone, could be found to mining regions on the Yukon, between Forty mile creek and Circle City. In case a practicable route is found instructions were given to so make the route that it could be followed hereafter. The party will take supplies to relieve any persons in distress that may be encountered.

Naval Movements.

New York, Feb. 4.—The cruiser Brooklyn left this morning for the West Indies.

Havana, Feb. 4.—The United States cruiser Montgomery arrived yesterday at Matanzas.

Respite for Soper.

Harrisonville, Mo., Feb. 4.—The hanging of B. F. Soper, set for today, has been postponed pending an appeal to the supreme court.

Accident in Scotland.

Glasgow, Feb. 4.—A mail train and a freight collided near Troon. The engineer and fireman of the freight and five workmen on the mail train were killed, and 36 injured, some fatally.

A movement is on foot to organize a Red Men's lodge at Waynesville.

A Gibson City florist has 13 flower houses and is now shipping 2000 violets to Chicago every week.

Miss Alice Miller died at Champaign last Satuday.

A Life Saved.

Marvelous cures of throat and lung affections are made daily by Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Miss Annie Swan, Petersburg, Va., writes: "My brother was attacked by a bad cough and cold, and it was thought he had consumption. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup was used, and to our great surprise it made him well and hearty. There is no better cure in the world than this Syrup." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is sold everywhere for 25 cents.

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The Confession.

FOR MURDER

Grand Jury Returns Indictment Against Joe Mauzy

FOR KILLING M'KINLEY

Four Other Bills Returned for Other Offenses — Jurymen were Discharged for the Term.

The grand jury adjourned for the term this afternoon.

Five new bills were returned, one of which is againt Joseph Mauzy for the alleged murder of Mat McKinley, July 3, 1889, for which offense Jack Faunce got a life sentence at the trial.

Young Mauzy was turnkey at the county jail at the time. He is now a resident of Coles county, on a farm near Oakley.

It has always been claimed that Mauzy was in front of the county jail at the time McKinley was killed at the alley on Franklin street.

If this fact is established it does not appear that the arrest and trial of Mauzy will do Faunce any good.

THE JURY.

J. B. Nowlin, foreman, Latham, farmer, Rep.

L. L. Swarthout, Boody, well driller, Rep.

Robert Foster, Decatur, fireman, Rep.

William Leake, Decatur, engineer, Rep.

E. P. Reynolds, Decatur, carpenter, Rep.

G. F White, Decatur, druggist, Rep.

Eri Querry, Argenta, liveryman, Rep.

Frank Crum, Harristown, farmer, Dem.

C. A. Thrift, Forsyth, farmer, Dem.

F. M. Cressler, Warrensburg, farmer, Dem.

Peter T. Van Duncan, Cerro Gordo, farmer, Dem.

John Phillips, Cerro Gordo, farmer, Rep.

Frank Potter, Maroa, carpenter, Dem.

Albert Gessman, Maroa, farmer, Rep.

William Gibson, Dalton, farmer, Dem.

J. F. Roberts, Mt. Zion, farmer, Dem.

Michael Haber, Niantic, merchant, Rep.

T. J. Manecke, Oakley, farmer, Dem.

J. K. Hardy, Blue Mound, farmer, Rep.

William H. Willoughby, Macon, farmer, Rep.

Fred J. Jostes, Macon, grain dealer, Rep.

J. M. Hutchinson, Decatur, gardner, Dem.

George W. Betzer, Oreana, farmer, Rep.

AN IMMENSE GLOBE.

It Will Be One of the Features of the Paris Exposition.

The great globe which is to be the feature of the Paris exposition is now nearly completed. Elevators and stairways will run to nine tiers or floors, from each of which a section of the globe can be seen. It will thus be possible to follow the equatorial line, the temperate or the arctic and antarctic circles and make a thorough study of the earth's surface.

The globe is being built by T. Ruddiman Johnston on a scale of one 500,000

EARTH IN MINIATURE
(Huge Globe Built for the Paris Exposition of 1900.)

of the actual size of the earth, or, roughly, one-eighth of an inch to the mile. It will measure 84 feet in diameter and have a surface area of 22,000 feet. Some idea of the vastness of the work is conveyed by the fact that if the material composing the covering were unrolled it would form a band one foot in width and four miles in length. In order that the globe may be properly inspected it will be surrounded by a circular wall, round which will run a series of galleries. The globe itself will revolve slowly, thus permitting the spectator to view every part.

Every place of any note will be given and all towns of 5,000 inhabitants, while larger towns will be marked according to scale. Various colors will be employed to distinguish between sea and land, forest and desert, while every zone will have a different shade.

His Hair Turned White.

The hair of a driver of a New York fertilizer wagon turned white suddenly, owing, it is supposed, to the effect of certain chemicals in the contents of his vehicle.

Bad Eggs in a Cake.

Rotten eggs used in making cake have sent a London baker to jail. He had 1,645 unused bad eggs in his bakery

HE HAD EXPERIENCE.

Turning the Cold Light of Life on the Region of Romance.

It was after the place was supposed to be closed to everybody except the janitor that the portly man of business found the office boy sitting in a retired nook.

"What are you doing here?" inquired the business man.

"Reading," replied the lad.

"Some novel?"

"Yes, sir, I suppose it is what you would call a novel; but I don't believe it's the kind you mean."

"What kind of a story is it?" inquired the employer, whose tones increased in kindliness as the worried look disappeared from his face.

"It's about a boy whose parents were poor, and who was forced to earn his living. So he got a situation as an office boy."

"And in the course of time, by his courage and honesty, he arose until he became one of the partners in the firm?"

"I suppose so. I haven't got that far yet."

"And I suppose you are hoping you'll get along as well as the boy in the book?"

"Yes," was the answer with a sigh; "I'd like it first-rate."

"As far as you've got in the book, that boy hasn't had to worry about whether the landlord is going to raise the rent on his property so as to eat up the profits, have you?"

"No. I don't believe there is anything like that in the story."

"He hasn't had any reason to bother about what congress may do to raw material, has he?"

"Not yet. He hasn't even gotten to be a shipping clerk yet."

"Then, of course, he doesn't lie awake nights wondering whether somebody whom he has accommodated in a business way is going to swamp him by allowing his notes to go to protest?"

"I haven't seen anything like that."

"Well, if you want to get a clear idea of all that probably happened you mustn't omit these details and think them over attentively. Don't neglect to earn as many opportunities as you can, nor to clinch every one as it comes along. Don't shirk any responsibilities when they arrive; but, at the same time, avoid getting your mind so firmly fixed on the future that you can't enjoy being an office boy while you have the chance."—Philadelphia Times.

DON'T COVER FURNITURE.

It Means That the Articles Are Either Too Good or Not Good Enough.

Costuming furniture is quite an art, but there are two sides to the art, as well as to the furniture, and it is well to look at both. In some places of public resort in the city, notably one of our finest theaters, the chairs and furniture in the boxes are covered with linen, so that we come to one of two conclusions. Either the furniture is worn and shabby and should be repaired, or it is too fine for daily use, in which case a medium class of serviceable goods should replace it. It is scant courtesy to an audience to permit the furniture to receive them in undress.

In the home it is even worse. There is always a suggestion of unsanitary conditions in the brown stool and chair coverings so often encountered in dismal parlors. The ghostlike draperies remind one of funeral occasions, or the summer outing of the family when the piano wears bloomers and the chairs are all muffled to the ears to protect them from dust and atmosphere while their owners are absent.

It is not considered healthy to have much upholstery in the house, antiseptic laws demanding light, airy furniture, which will not offer accommodation to moths and microbes. Sofas and chairs that can be easily handled and hangings that do not exclude air and light have replaced the curtained four-poster bed and heavy draperies of our ancestors. Easy chairs muffled in wraps are not inviting, and should be sent with other antiques to the furniture hospital, there to be remodeled and renovated. It is an exploded idea that massive pieces of furniture—such as those it takes two men to move—are necessary to the decoration or ease of a parlor. The introduction of flats has done much to simplify our involved methods of living; nervous prostration is less frequent since the principles of hygiene in the home have been learned by the new woman. To spend hours leaning one's back against a hot, stuffy easy chair is one way to invite a host of troubles

Chippendale chairs are models of what delicate proportions united with strength may produce in the hands of an artist. If there is a talent for embroidery in the family it can be made available, but such useful articles as chairs should be adorned only in the making and covered not at all.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

How to Press Embroidery Properly.

In all cases of embroidery on linen the work should be carefully pressed when finished, and it is important for every embroiderer to know how this may be done in the simplest and safest manner. . . . The proper way to press the finished work is to lay the embroidery face down on a clean cloth spread over an ironing-blanket or two or three thicknesses of flannel; place a thin, dampened cloth on the back of the article to be pressed, and then use a hot iron deftly on the wet surface until it is perfectly dry. A steaming process is thus engendered, whereby the embroidered linen is rendered smooth and the effectiveness of the work much enhanced.—Woman's Home Companion.

Baked Omelet.

Makes a good simple pudding and is useful when fireroom does not allow of frying. Beat two eggs lightly and stir in two teaspoonfuls of flour and one-half teaspoonful of salt. Heat a teacupful of milk and in it put a teaspoonful of butter. Pour the milk on to the eggs, stir quickly, and pour into a hot, buttered dish. Set in a quick oven and bake for 15 minutes.—Boston Globe.

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129 pairs Ladies' Chocolate Polish Shoes, $3.50 grade A, B, C, D, **$1.39**

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Skiing is carried on in most parts of the country—either from necessity where snows lie deep and roads are few and far between, or from pleasure in the more frequented districts. Christiania may now be recognized as the center of all winter recreations, and Holmenkollen, on the heights in the neighborhood, as the headquarters of skiing. Here club and county competitions are held, as well as the great meeting, the "Derby of Norway," which the whole city usually turns out to see. The hill on which the great event is held looks formidable enough, but its height and steepness are much exaggerated. It is 160 feet above the level of the lake which forms a plain at its base, the slope or track being 166 yards long, the angle of the upper two-thirds to the "hop," or platform, whence the leap is made, being about 15 degrees, and the lower portion 25 degrees. A competitor starting from the top, with ever increasing speed, gains the "hop," leaps into the air, darts through it like a bird, and, on reaching the snow again, continues his course downward until he reaches the plain (lake) at the foot, where he finally stops by taking a sharp turn, and faces the slope which he has so quickly descended. It requires nerve as well as skill to shoot down such a declivity and take such a bound, and it must be remembered that in a leap of 60 feet the sheer fall is about 30 feet. On the last occasion the greatest distance covered was 87 feet, which is the record leap at the Holmenkollen meeting, but at local competition the week previously the same youth made a successful bound of 103½ feet, a record which it will be difficult to beat, though 120 feet have been cleared with a subsequent fall.

The exhibition is one that it must be seen to be realized. As a recreation and healthful exercise skiing has possibly no equal, and its good effects may be judged from the healthy looks of the thousands of Norwegian girls and women who share its delights with those of the stronger sex.—London Graphic.

The Sheser Bros., of Broadlands, have bought an elevator at El Paso.

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Cut this out and take it to your druggist and get a sample bottle free of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. They do not ask you to buy before trying. This will show you the great merits of this truly wonderful remedy, and show you what can be accomplished by the regular size bottle. This is no experiment, and would be disastrous to the proprietors did they not know it would invariably cure. Many of the best physicians are now using it in their practice with great results, and are relying on it in most severe cases. It is guaranteed. Trial bottles free at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug store. Regular size 50 cents and $1.

Mrs. Charles Chance of New Holland, has bought of Henry Dowell 160 acres of land near Gillet, Ark., and will move there a year hence.

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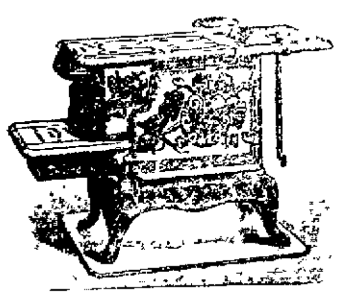

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Neglect.
Pneumonia.
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Had Foley's Honey and Tar been used, this story would have had a happier ending. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

David Diamond of Mt. Pulaski, will open a dry goods store in Flanigan in the Herman Locker building.

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Dr. J. E. White of Urbana, was elected one of the supreme medical directors of the Court of Honor.

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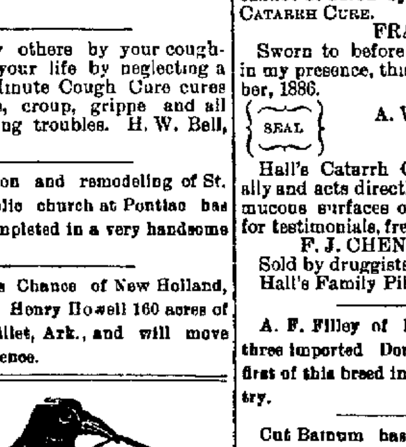

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A Senator and a Widow,

(Continued from Second Page.)

gold and greenbacks. The fellows were getting ready to divide up and take flight. When through with the baggage the widow said to the senator:

"You must go back to the road and travel west until you meet help. The cowards who went off on the stage will likely notify some one who will organize a posse. I will remain right here and guard the prisoners."

"My dear woman—" began the senator, but she interrupted him with:

"Now don't begin to 'dear' me. As you go down the hill break off branches as signs to guide you back. If you are not back before dark look for the big fire I shall kindle. Away you go!"

The afternoon passed and night came We had sent help from Black Hill, but the posse had gone astray. It was dark before Senator Jones met the men, and almost midnight before he led them up the hill and into the robbers' camp The Widow Childers had not been lonely, however. No sooner had the prisoners recovered from their surprise than they appealed to her womanly heart. Then they tried bribery and threats, and they gave her enough to do to watch over them. She found plenty of provisions in camp, and had supper ready by the time of the arrival of the half-dozen men. They all went

"WIDOW CHILDERS, I BELIEVE WE ARE TO HAVE A LITTLE TALK."

into camp right there, except the messenger dispatched to Black Hill. By sunrise he was back with an extra stage-coach, and three hours later the whole party was at the hill. There was a reward of $5,000 on the head of one robber, and $3,000 on the other, and the money was paid within thirty days This gave the newly-wedded pair over $15,000 in cash for a honeymoon trip I made no slip in using the term About an hour after their arrival at Black Hill, Senator Jones stood before the Widow Childers and said:

"Widow Childers, I believe we are to have a little talk."

"Just so, senator."

"While my profession is working up political campaigns and holding office, I believe that I am a fair success at catching road agents."

"You have done well, sir. I am happy to say that you have sand."

"And you'll marry me?"

"I will."

And two weeks later she did, and I don't believe either one could have done better.

THE END.

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A. F. Filley of Fairbury has received three imported Dorset Horn sheep, the first of this breed in this part of the country.

Cut Batnum has opened an architect's office in Champaign.

Downed the President.

It was at the meeting of the Darktown Debating society, and Mr. Henry Clay Lincoln Jackson, who had been called to order three times for disregarding "pahliment'ry rules," got up and said:

"Beg pahdon, Mistah Pres'dent. I don't wish to make myself in any way obnoxionable to de club, but—"

"'Scuse me fo' correctin' yo', Mistah Jackson," said the president, "but I guess yo' means obnoxious stid of 'obnoxionable.'"

"'Scuse me, sah," said Mr. Jackson with asperity. "I infer from yo' remahk that yo' are not aware ob de fac' dat 'obnoxionable' an' 'obnoxious' are anonymousan' de same. Will some member be so kind as to info'm me if I am not correct?"

No one corrected him, and the "president" was squelched accordingly.—Detroit Free Press.

A CASE OF MIND CURE.

The Sick Woman Got Well and the Well Woman Got Sick.

They were two women and they were going to visit a winter resort, but for different reasons. One of them was ill, and she was going away to get well; the other was well, and she was going away to take care of an invalid. "Oh, dear," said the invalid, "if anybody finds out that I'm ill and begins to pity and 'poor' me, and, above all, to recommend what I ought to do and to take, I shall come home feeling twice as ill as I do now. I just simply couldn't stand it." "I tell you what," said the other. "Let me pose as the invalid. It'll be the easiest thing in the world, for you don't look a bit ill; as a matter of fact, you look better than I do. It can't do me any harm; it may do you a lot of good, and in such a good cause it won't be so very wicked." The invalid consented and the two arrived at the winter resort with their plans well laid. There was no need openly to fib about the thing. All that the other woman had to do was to draw her mouth down a bit at the corners and now and then to pass her hand across her forehead, and when things were passed her at the table to say: "Oh, dear, do you suppose I ought to eat that?" And the other guests at the winter resort at once pounced upon her as the invalid.

The only entertainment that guests at such places have consists in wondering about each other, and as most such guests are there for their health they soon learn to know the earmarks of the invalid. The woman who was not ill accordingly became the heroine of such conditions—the latest invalid. She was condoled with and advised and criticised for not doing this and extolled for doing the other. Every variety of preventive and remedy was recommended to her, and in some instances thrust upon her. Each guest had known or had heard of some doctor who would be infallible in her particular case The only time that table talk wandered from the subject of ailments and their cures was when it took up the topic of doctors. The well woman couldn't stir a peg without some solicitous guest calling after her to be sure to (or not to) do this, that or the other. Still, it was all directed at the well woman. She was the object of all the care and anxiety.

Meanwhile the real invalid throve apace under such wholesome neglect. She knew that the other guests must condemn her for taking so little interest in the health of the supposed invalid, but, so far as possible, she kept aloof from all that would remind her of her illness. Not only her own mind but the minds of others had been sidetracked from the fact that she was an invalid, and her recuperation was rapid. Long before she had expected to be able to do so she was ready to depart. But as the two set out upon the homeward journey the one-time invalid noticed that a change had come over her companion. She was pale, dull-eyed and tired-looking. Her voice was languid, her movements listless. She looked ill. What could it mean? "Can you guess?" said the one-time well woman. "I'm no longer a make-believe invalid; I'm the real thing. Such an ordeal as I've been through would undermine the constitution of Hebe herself."—Philadelphia Times.

FRESH WATER FOUND IN ROCKS

Fluid Fit to Drink Found at a Depth of 100 Feet.

In the November number of the Geographical Journal we find a communication from Sir Clements Markham, who describes how Baron Nordenskiold reasoned out the possibility of finding fresh water by boring strong crystalline rock. Baron Nordenskiold's idea was that by boring through the granite rocks he would strike water-bearing fissures. He therefore selected the rocky islets on the Swedish coasts which serve as pilot and light stations, and completing borings found sweeter water lying in the fissures. In the depth of 100 feet, the texture of the surface rock preventing the salt water from percolating through and commingling with the sweeter water lying in the fissures. In the same number of the Geographical Journal there is an article by M. E. A. Martel on "British Caves and Speleology." Mr. Martel describes a descent into caves near Enniskillen, as well as other descents in Ireland, and also describes what he saw of underground rivers and lakes in Derbyshire and in Yorkshire. In the case of the Irish caves he says their flowing waters must have an outlet under the sea, as there is no other way to account for the phenomenon. We refer to these matters, as they interest cable engineers, and bear upon a paper read before the Institution of Electrical Engineers during last session by Mr. Benest. In this paper it was stated that it was believed by some engineers that submarine telegraph cables when laid on a continental slope and in a direction more or less parallel to the coast line, were liable to interruption from the effects of an outburst of subterranean water on these slopes even in deep water. Deductions from the evidence furnished by Baron Nordenskiold and Mr. Martel seem to increase the belief in the theory referred to in Mr. Benest's paper.—Electrical Review.

Practical.

"Do you believe in dat motto, 'nevvuh put off tell to morrow what yoh kin jes' es well do ter-day?'" inquired Pickaninny Jim.

"Sho'ly I does," replied his mother, who was removing the dishes from the table.

"Well, den, ez long ez I hab de time I reckons mebbe I might ez well go right ahaid an' eat anuthuh supper."—Washington Star.

Good Signs.

"And you think your son has finally decided to quit fooling around—that he's going to get down to business in earnest, eh?"

"Yes; he lets his trousers bag at the knees and wears a turndown collar."—Chicago Evening News.

Done So Quietly.

Decatur People Are Surprised--Like a Ray of Sunshine to Many a Home.

It come like a ray of sunshine.
Makes the old folks happy,
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Takes the load off the back.
It's all done so quietly.
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What is it?
Why Doan's Kidney Pills.
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Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co, Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

Many a man who imagines he is a wrestler can't even throw dice.

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It is not generally known that more adults die of Kidney trouble than any other disease. When the first symptoms of this disease appear, no time should be lost in taking Foley's Kidney Cure which is guaranteed or money refunded. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The average fish-bone is easier to swallow than the average fish story.

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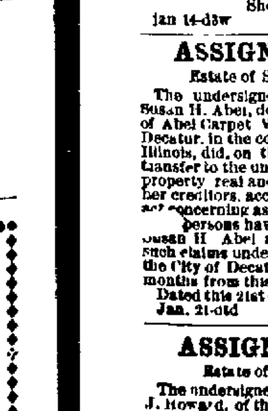

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Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co, Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

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UNBROKEN REST AT NIGHT.

J. B. HULING, Manager, Office Commercial Printing Co., 196 South Clark St, Chicago, Nov. 24, '94.

R. R. Phelps, Esq., City.

DEAR SIR:—I wish to bear testimony to the great efficacy of your "Four C" remedy in throat and lung ailments. As a rule I have been skeptical of the merits of proprietary medicines, but have to confess that a test of your "Four C" is convincing that at least one ready made remedy is worthy of use. My children all take it without the least objection, from oldest to youngest, and is particularly noticeable that benefit is almost immediate. A single dose will check most coughs in their beginning; it gives an unbroken rest at night. In my family "Four C" is simply indispensable and I recommend it unqualifiedly.
Yours, J. B. HUDING.

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Chicago, Sept. 25, '95.

For years back each winter I have suffered with acute larnygitis. Last winter was so bad I could not leave my room for two weeks or could not speak above a whisper. I tried every known cough preparation from cough drops up and down with no relief, then in desperation I was induced to try Phelps' "Four C." The first dose relieved my cough, giving me the first night's rest for weeks. Half the bottle cured me. I have never been without this wonderful remedy since. It's as different from other like remedies as molasses from vinegar or sugar from sand. MRS. JOSEPH E. GRUBB, 5313 Madison Ave.

IT IS A MIRACLE.

Conductor Eckard, the Railroad Correspondent of the Neodasha Kansas Register, has this to say of "Four C." "Phelps is having a wonderful sale of his Cough and Cold Remedy. We personally know it is just what it is represented to be. Too much cannot be said in its praise. It is a miracle."

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Dated this 21st day of January, A. D. 1898
Jan. 21-dtd J. W. RACE, Assignee.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of L. J. Howard, Debtor.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that L. J. Howard, of the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, did, on the eighth day of December, A. D 1897, transfer to the undersigned as assignee all his property, real and personal, for the benefit of his creditors, according to the provisions of the act concerning assignments.

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CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Ill.—

William C. H. Keough, receiver of the North & South Building & Loan Association, vs. Bridget M. Clark, Patrick Clark, Commercial Loan & Trust Company, a Corporation, Trustee, Horace M. Gillis, Charles M. Allison, No. 15340.

Consolidated with

Charles M. Allison, vs. Bridget M. Clark, Patrick Clark, North & South Building & Loan Association, William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North & South Building & Loan Association, to No. 15650.

Bridget M. Clark, Patrick Clark and Horace M. Gillis, Decatur, Illinois.
North & South Building & Loan Association, a corporation, Chicago, Illinois.
Commercial Loan & Trust Company, trustee, Chicago, Illinois.
Charles M. Allison, Decatur, Illinois.

Please take notice, you and each of you, that on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898 at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day, we shall, before George Bass, a Master in Chancery of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois and a Notary Public in and for the said County and State at his office, No. 109 Hartford Building, 140 Dearborn street in the City of Chicago, County Cook and State of Illinois, taken in the above entitled cause, the deposition of William C. H. Keough, a resident of the City of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois, upon interrogatories to be propounded to said witness orally without a commission or the filing of interrogatories for this purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Section 24 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Illinois, such deposition to be read in evidence on the part of said complainant on the hearing of the above entitled cause.

The examination of said witness upon said oral interrogatories, to be propounded as afore said, will be begun on the day and hour before mentioned, and will be continued from day to day until completed, at which time and place you may appear as you or either of you may see fit.
COLLINS & FLETCHER,
Solicitors for Wm C. H Keough, Receiver, Complainant.
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ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, assignee of Edward White and Charles C. H. Cowan, late doing business as Ed. White & Co., will, at the north door of the court house, in the City of Decatur, Illinois at the hour of one o'clock p. m., on Saturday, the 5th day of February, A. D. 1898, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in pursuance of an order of the honorable, the county court of Macon county, Illinois, the equity of redemption in a farm of 160 acres situate in Douglas county, Illinois, described as the east half of the northwest quarter and the west half of the northeast quarter of section fourteen, township 15 north, range 9 east of the 3d principal meridian; also the equity of redemption in Lot eight of the Resurvey of Block 5 of R. J. Oglesby's Addition to the City of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois and the equity of redemption in the north part of Lots 8 and 9 of Block 12 in the Village of Warrensburg, in said county and state; and also all of the uncollected notes and accounts embraced in said assignment.

Persons wishing to examine list of said assets will find same on file in the matter of said assignment in office of the clerk of the county court of Macon county, Illinois.
CHAS. J. OFF, Assignee.
Jan. 12, 1898-d15

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of R. J. Young, Sr., Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of R. J. Young, Sr., late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of January, 1898.
R. J. YOUNG, Administrator.
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People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

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WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE - One of Hall's best fire and burglar proof safes, 30 by 42 inches high. Also two modern 8-foot show-cases with tables. Cases 19 inches deep, drop doors, with locks. Will be sold at a bargain. For particulars call at 1105 N. Church street, city. Jan 31-d6

FOR SALE.—A No. 1, superfine Kimball organ for sale very cheap. Call at 965 East Cantrell street. C. B. ADKESSON. 20-dtf

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets, East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1760 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-tf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—A house of five rooms, with good well, summer kitchen and stable, on a plat of eight acres at Boody, Ill. Terms very low. Inquire of Frederick Nientker Boody, Ill. Feb 1-d6*

FOR RENT—An improved dairy farm, 2½ miles west of the court house; well watered. Apply to Dr. S. H. Swain, 137 South Franklin street, Decatur, Ill. Jan 29-d6*

FOR RENT.—My factory building on East Eldorado st.; 2 story, 24x80 feet. Windows every 4 feet. Street cars. Paved street and sewerage. Will fit up to suit business. Best chance in Decatur for new factory. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 142 S. Main st. 6-dtmo

MONEY TO LOAN.

LOANS...

Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, 137 North Water street.
LOW RATES.
May 20-dtf GEO. W. EHRHART.

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ROOMS 702-3-4,
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All Classes of Loans Negotiated,
145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST OR STOLEN—Large pocket-book containing one thousand mile ticket Union Pacific Railroad; one thousand mile ticket Wabash Railroad, also stock certificates of the LaMesa Lemon Co.; also two notes signed in blank by A. S. Crowder. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at the office of the Shellabarger Mill and Elevator Co.
Feb 1-d6

MISCELLANEOUS.

REMEMBER—I have moved from East Main street to the first room south of St Nicholas Hotel. Have the biggest stock of second-hand goods in the city. Call and examine my stock and prices before buying. W. M. CHANCE. Jan 29-d6wl

A FINE STOCK of Potted Blooming Plants of all kinds, also Cut Flowers, Roses Carnations, Hyacinths, Easter Lilies, Callas, Violets, etc., can be had on short notice. Telephone, old, No. 203. N. BOMMERSBACH.
dec 7-dtf

CURRY & POOLE, MILK DEPOT.
Milk, Cream, Butter and Dressed Poultry, Wholesale and Retail, 451 North Water street, Decatur, Ill. Jan 24 dtf

W. M. HARPSTRITE'S Transfer and Storage Warehouse. Largest and most convenient warehouse in the city for the storage of all kinds of goods. Office and warehouse 730 and 734 East Cerro Gordo street. Old Tel. 354.
Jan. 24-d2w

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Jan 24-d2w

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS, CAVEATS, on quickest and easiest terms. Am associate counsel for Louis Bagger & Co., 30 years' experience as Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. All legal business promptly and carefully attended to. LOAMS. A. E. PARK, 152 E Prairie street. NEW PHONE 672.
Sept 7-dtf

IF you need a set of De Vinne Price Markers or Rubber Cushion stamp, plain or ornamental, supplies or anything in the Commercial stamp line, order of J. M. Myers, proprietor of the Decatur Rubber Stamp Works, 301 S. Church street, Citizens' Phone, 117, Decatur, Ill.
mar 1-ltf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 723 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov29 dtf

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x80. What's the matter with this? nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan8-dtf

FREE TEA SET—Ladies, send us your full address plainly written, and we will express you 75 of our exquisite ARABIAN PERFUMO PACKETS to sell among friends at 10 cents each; when sold, remit us the money (less express charges) and we will send you a beautiful decorated China tea set of 56 pieces for your trouble, full size for family use. Name nearest express office and address. Arabian Perfumo Co., Box 12, Bridgewater, Conn. 7-d3w

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the City Electric Railway Company of Decatur, Ill., will be held TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1898, at the office of said company in Decatur, for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Decatur, Ill., February 1, 1898.
CITY ELECTRIC RY. CO.
W. L. SHELLABARGER, Sec.
Feb 1-dtd

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor.
jan 24-d&wtf

Legal Advs.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court.

W. B. Tyler, Complainant, vs. Samuel W. Stookey et. al., Defendants. In Chancery—No. 16,029.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, the 9th day of February, A. D. 1898,

at the hour of 2 o clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The same being the interest of Samuel W. Stookey at the time of the execution of said mortgages mentioned in the original bill and cross bill for which the said Samuel W. Stockey may hereafter have in the property described as follows to-wit:

The northeast quarter of section 32, township 17 north, range one east of the third principal meridian, containing one hundred and sixty acres, situate in the county of Macon, state of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of January, A. D. 1898.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
W. B. Tyler Complainant's Solicitor.

Administrator's Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } MACON COUNTY, } ss
In the County Court of the January Term, A. D. 1898

Josiah M. Clokey, administrator of the estate of Mary F. Gordanier, deceased, vs. Irving W Gordanier, Louis E. Gordanier, Albert A. Gordanier, Kittie L. Gordanier and The People's Savings and Loan Association—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the county court of Macon county, of the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term, A. D. 1898, of the said county court, I, Josiah M. Clokey, administrator of the estate of Mary F. Gordanier, deceased, will on

Saturday, the 5th day of February, 1898,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

Lots eleven (11) and twelve (12) in block nine, (9), East Park Boulevards, situated in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, free from homestead and dower, on the following terms:

Terms of Sale—One half cash in hand on day of sale, the remainder to be paid six months from day of sale, the deferred payments to be secured by the note or notes of the purchaser, or purchasers, with good personal security and a mortgage or mortgages, on the premises so sold, the deferred payments to bear six per cent interest per annum from date of sale, with privilege on part of purchaser or purchasers, of paying purchase money all cash. Premises to be sold subject to taxes for 1897. Said lot eleven (11) to be sold subject to a mortgage in favor of The People's Savings and Loan Association on which the amount found due this day, is $942.35.

Dated January 6th, 1898.
JOSIAH M. CLOKEY,
Administrator of the estate of Mary F. Gordanier, deceased. 7-d4w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, Macon County, } ss.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery.

William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North and South Building and Loan Association, vs Albert Karlofski, alias Albert Karlowski, Lottie Karlofski alias Lottie Karlowski, North & South Building and Loan Association, Webster H. Rapp and F. W. Kipp—No. 16,130,

Consolidated with

Jeanett C. Blume vs. Albert Karlofski and Annie Karlofski—No. 16304.

To Albert Karlofski, alias Albert Karlowski, Lottie Karlofski, alias Lottie Karlowski, F. W. Kipp and Annie Karlofski, Decatur, Illinois; North & South Building and Loan Association and Jeanett C. Blume Chicago, Illinois; Webster H. Rapp, care R. S. Peal & Co., 91 Fifth Avenue, New York City:

Please take notice, you and each of you, that on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day, we shall, before George Bass, a master in chancery of the circuit court of Cook county, Illinois, and a Notary Public in and for said county and state, at his office, No. 109 Hartford Building, 140 Dearborn street, in the City of Chicago, in said county and state, take, in the above entitled cause, the deposition of William C. H. Keough, a resident of the City of Chicago in said county and state, upon interrogatories to be propounded to said witness orally, without a commission or the filing of interrogatories for this purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Section 24 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes of Illinois such deposition to be read in evidence on the part of the said complainant on the hearing of the above entitled cause. The examination of said witness upon said oral interrogatories, to be propounded as aforesaid, will be begun on the day and hour before mentioned and will be continued from day to day until completed at which time and place you may appear as you or either of you may see fit.
COLLINS & FLETCHER,
Solicitors for William C. H. Keough,
Jan. 17-dtd Complainant.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court of Macon Co.

William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North & South Building and Loan Association, vs. Webster H. Rapp, Elizabeth M. Rapp, Jeanette C. Blume, George P. Blume, George P. Blume and Webster H. Rapp, partners as Blume & Rapp, Lucinda Lugte, the unknown husband, if any, of Lucinda Lugte, the North & South Building & Loan Association.—No. 15,980.

To Webster H. Rapp, individually and as a member of the partnership of Blume & Rapp, and Elizabeth M. Rapp, care R. S. Peal & Co., 91 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City, George P. Blume, individually and as a member of the partnership of Blume & Rapp, Chicago, Illinois, and Jeanette C Blume, Chicago, the unknown husband of Lucinda Lugte North & South Building and Loan Association, Chicago, Illinois, Lucinda Lugte, Clinton, DeWitt county, Illinois.

Please take notice, you and each of you, that on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, we shall, before George Bass, a master in chancery of the circuit court of Cook county, Illinois and a notary public in and for the said county and state, at his office, No. 109 Hartford Building, 140 Dearborn street, in the city of Chicago, County of Cook and state of Illinois, take in the above entitled cause, the deposition of William C. H. Keough, a resident of the city of Chicago county of Cook, and state of Illinois, upon interrogatories to be propounded to said witness orally, without a commission or the filing of interrogatories for this purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Section 24 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Illinois, such deposition to be read in evidence on the part of the said complainant on the hearing of the above entitled cause.

The examination of said witness upon said oral interrogatories, to be propounded as aforesaid, will be begun on the day and hour before mentioned, and will be continued from day to day until completed, at which time and place you may appear as you or either of you may see fit. COLLINS & FLETCHER,
Solicitors for William C. H. Keough, Receiver, complainant.
jan 18 dtd

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Henry F. May, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Henry F. May, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 17th day of January, 1898.
ANDREW H. MILLS, Administrator.
jan 17-d3w

RHEUMATISM CURE — Decatur, Ill., Nov. 29th. Wanted, everybody to read this article. For four or five years I took medicine for my kidneys and could get no relief. After trying several other kinds of medicines for rheumatism I tried your Cerrodanie Capsules and they not only cured my rheumatism but my back as well. I can and do heartily recommend them to any one with rheumatism and neuralgia. Yours truly, TOM PENIWELL, ticket agent I. C. R. R.

Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

[Corrected to Nov. 15, 1897.]

Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	13	* 3:55 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:55 p m
16	† 9:20 a m	17	† 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		**FROM ST. LOUIS.**	
3	* 4:05 a m	6	* 5:25 a m
11	* 7:00 a m	21	†11:25 a m
25	† 4:05 p m	14	*11:42 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	10	* 8:58 p m
1	*12:13 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	* 7:20 p m	12	*12:55 a m
TO TOLEDO.		**FROM TOLEDO.**	
4	* 5:28 a m	1	*12:10 a m
2	*11:30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
4	*11:20 p m	5	* 2:50 p m
10 Ft W, ac.	†1:30 p m	3	* 3:20 a m
34 Eff. Acc.	†4:40 p m	11, From Ft W	†12:50 p m
		35 Eff. Accom	†10:45 a m
TO QUINCY.		**FROM QUINCY.**	
5	* 4:07 p m	4	*11:25 a m
13	* 4:10 a m	12	*10:50 p m
17 Spfd only	† 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg.	† 9:15 a m
35	†10:55 a m	34 Effg. acm	† 4:35 p m
11 Bluff acm	† 7:05 a m	10 frm Bluffs	† 6:50 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1......10:35 a. m.	A No. 2......2:50 p. m
D No. 3......10:10 p. m.	A No. 4......6:25 a. m
A No. 11......2:30 p. m.	S No. 36......7:10 a. m
Depart for Peoria	**Depart for Evansville**
A No. 2......3:00p. m.	A No. 1......10:45 a. m
A No. 4......6:35 a. m.	D No. 3......10:20 p. m
S No. 36......7:20 a. m.	A No 11......3:15 p. m.
A No. 10......10:35a. m.	"D"—Daily, "S" Sunday Only.
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	

Vandalia Line.
In effect Dec. 11, 1897.

DEPARTS EAST.
No. 84—Freight, ex. Sunday............ 6:35 a m
No 13—Except Sunday............ 7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday............ 3:36 p

FROM TERRE HAUTE.
No. 7—Except Sunday............10:45 a m
No. 83—Freight, ex. Sunday............ 5:00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday............ 7:05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.
No. 5—Ex. Sunday............7:00 a m
No. 85—Freight ex. Sundny............7:50 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday............10:55 a m

FROM PEORIA.
No. 6—Ex. Sunday............3:20 p m
No. 36—Freight ex Sunday............4:10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday............9:30 p m

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass....*2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass...*10:55 p m
No. 8 Pass....*4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass...†11:30 a m
" 7 ....10:00 a m	" 8 ....2:40 a m
" 9 ....*8:00 p m	" 10 ....4:00 p m

*Daily. †Except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

Corrected to November 28th, 1897.
No. 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman........* 1:32 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman........* 11:52 a. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign..* 6:10 a. m
No. 104 Main Line North............* 11:26 a. m.
No. 126 Main Line North............* 6:10 p. m.
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves........† 2:45 p. m.
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana............* 3:13 a. m.
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana............* 3:37 p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Pana.....† 9:30 a. m.
No. 103 Main Line South to Cairo....* 4:0 p. m.
No. 191 Local Freight South.........† 7:45 a. m.
No. 703 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives........* 9:55 p. m.
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives........† 10:30 a. m.
*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division Sundays at very low rates—good going and returning Sunday only.

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Homeseekers' Excursions to principal points in the South, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month; good returning every Tuesday or Friday for 21 days. One fare, plus $2.00, for the round trip.

One way Settlers' tickets to the South sold on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

California tourists tickets, good returning nine months, with liberal stop over privileges in each direction, on sale daily.

Winter tourists tickets to the principal resorts in the south new on sale.

Call at the City Ticket Office for literature of the routes, rates, etc., of the Klondike Gold Fields.

Tour of Old Mexico and return. Leaving Decatur Thursday, Feb. 17th. Personally conducted, $240.00 includes all expenses. For itinerary call at city ticket office.

Cleveland, Ohio, acct. Students Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, $12.45 round trip, Sell Feb. 22nd and 23rd; good returning till Feb 28th.

Champaign acct. Illinois Farmers Institute, $1.35 round trip. Tickets sold Feb. 22nd and 23rd, good returning till Feb. 25th.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

One way settlers' rates to points south and southeast. Tickets on sale the 1st and 3d Tuesdays of each month.

Winter tourist rates to points south are now on. Final limit of June 1st, 1898.

For information or tickets write or call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Peniwell, 121 E. William street, Decatur, Ill.

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Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Charles L. Griswold, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles L. Griswold, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 29th day of January, 1898.
CHARLES L. GRISWOLD, JR.,
29 d3w Administrator.

Through Buffet Sleeping Car to Mackinaw, Mich.

Commencing June 21st, the Vandalia Line will resume through Pullman Buffet Sleeping Car Service between St. Louis and Mackinaw. Sleepers will run via Terre Haute, St. Joseph, Grand Rapids and Petoskey-Bay View. This will be the only line of through cars from St. Louis to the delightful and cool resorts of Michigan. South-bound the last sleeping car for the season will leave Mackinaw Sunday night, September 26, 1897. For detailed information address nearest Vandalia Line Agent, or E. A. Ford, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis.

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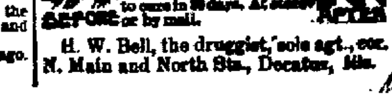

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The Merry-Go-Round club will be entertained by Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Jones this evening.

Art Pottery.

Royal Worcester, Teplitz, Royal Bonn, Dolton, Swedish and Rudolstadt go at one-half price in our great reduction sale.

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Woman's Club.

Tomorrow is the regular monthly meeting of the members of the Woman's club. The child's study division will entertain the club.

Exhibit of Photographs.

W. A. Downey has a number of kodak pictures of views are around Decatur on exhibition at Walter Hutchin's shoe store and will take orders for work at that place.

J. F. Wicks, Principal.

J. F. Wicks is now principal of the Blue Mound schools. At a meeting of the board the first of the week he was hired to complete the term begun by H. H. Slater, who is now regularly employed in the government mail service.

A Graphaphone Entertainment.

Last evening at the home of Mrs. Susan H. Murphy, No. 637 East North street, a graphaphone entertainment was given. About 30 persons were present. Recitations were given by a number of young people, and the graphaphone was manipulated by T. W. Douglass.

New Office.

Attorney Charles Borchers has fitted up room 808 in the Millikin building and will occupy it as a private office. The present arrangement of office room with Attorney A. G. Webber will not be changed and Mr. Borchers' reception room will be in connection with Mr. Webber as it has been heretofore.

NIANTIC.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kitch, on Wednesday, Januny 26, a son. Dr. Ryan is attending.

On Tuesday, February 1, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Duncan, a son. Dr. Hall is attending.

On Tuesday, February 1, to Mr. and Mrs. James Phoenix, a son. Dr. Ryan is attending.

Thomas Waddell is in a critical condition, requiring the attendance of his Odd Fellow brethren each night.

The Rev. Mr. Dawson of Warrensburg, is assisting the Rev. Mr. Pierce in the revival at the M. E. church. Mr. Dawson is an able preacher and the beautiful singing of Mr. Pierce adds greatly to the entertainment of the audience, which crowds the church each evening.

Charles McElroy was elected president of the Union Endeavor society of the city of Springfield Monday night. The union embraces all the Endeavor societies in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cross buried an infant son Tuesday.

G. W. Gepford arrived here this week in care of his son, A. L. Gepford of Findley. He has been suffering from a fall for some time.

The Rev. Mr. Carter, former pastor of the M E. church was here Monday in a business capacity. His friends insisted that he preach for them at night, which he did.

Lyman Stevens has bought the restaurant formerly owned by the Smith brothers and took possession this week.

Mrs Cross has returned to Niantic after a few years' sojourn in Decatur.

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THE "BIRD" SOCIAL.

An Enjoyable Entertainment Given at Grace M. E. Church.

The Intermediate Epworth League of Grace M. E. church gave a Bird Social at the church last evening, which was a great success. A large number was in attendance and the entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The program given was as follows:

Piano Duet, "The Swallow"—Misses Grace and Sadie Beadles.

Vocal Solo, "The Nightingale"—Leah Siberling.

Recitation, "The Sparrow"—Cecil Uhles.

Vocal Duet, "Our Feathered Neighbors"—Cecil Uhles and Mabel Rogers.

Piano Solo, "The Mocking Bird"—Slyvia Carter.

Vocal Solo, "The Robin's Call"—Harry Spayd.

Vocal Solo, "The Bird with the Broken Wing"—Edna Stewart.

The program was concluded with a dialogue by 14 members of the society, "Which Bird Would You Rather Be." After the program was concluded a collection was taken for the fund which goes toward the support of a scholarship in India, which is being supported by the society and refreshments of ices and cake were served.

The senior league of the church will give a social at the church on next Thursday evening. The name of the social which they will give is "The Contract Between Youth and Old Age." The oldest and the youngest of the members of the church will participate in the program. A feature of which will be several selections by the Century Quartette and a spelling match at the close of the program.

DEATH RECORD.

SEIBERLING.

Sarah Moser, wife of James Seiberling, died at her home in Blue Mound Thursday February 3, of paralysis, aged 80 years, surrounded by her husband and her surviving children—three sons and three daughters. Mrs. Seiberling was a native of Lehigh county, Pa., and it was there, when a young woman, she became the wife of James Seiberling, on December 25, 1837, and for over 60 years she was his worthy helpmate and loving companion. To her were born 14 children, the six now living being David Seiberling of Decatur, P. M. Seiberling of Peoria, Owen Seiberling of West Plains, Mo., Mrs. E. E. Stuver of Blue Mound, Mrs. H. H. Wise and Mrs. O. R. App of Decatur.

Mrs. Seiberling, with her husband, was one of the oldest persons in point of residence of Pleasant View township, having removed there from Ohio and buying a farm upon which the town of Blue Mound is now located in 1864. Last Christmas day, at the home in Blue Mound, Mr. and Mrs. Seiberling celebrated the 60th anniversary of their marriage with a big dinner and family reunion.

The funeral services will be held at the Presbyterian church in Blue Mound Saturday at 1 p. m. The body will be buried in the Pleasant View cemetery, a mile and a half south of the village.

Obituary.

Mrs. Nannie E. Wheeler, wife of the late A. J. Wheeler, who died at her late home in Harristown on January 31, was born in Scott county, Illinois, on February 22, 1835. Her husband died September 12, 1896. Nine children were born to them. Three sons and two daughters grown and married, survive her. All were present at her death except one daughter, Mrs. Larkin of Salem, Ohio. Deceased had since childhood been a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The funeral services were held from the Methodist church at Harristown on Wednesday, February 2. The funeral was in charge of Rev. Charles F. McKown, regular pastor of the Harristown church, assisted by Rev. W. F. Gillmore and Rev. E. B. Randle of Decatur. The remains were interred at the Harristown cemetery.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening John Burns gave a lecture on phrenology. There were present about 40 young men. The lecture was illustrated with chart pictures and after the address the speaker examined the heads of the audience.

The next entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. Star Course will be given on Tuesday evening at the opera house. The attraction is Marshall P. Wilder, the humorist.

The men's meeting at the association rooms next Sunday afternoon will be led by W. W. Dawson.

Corbett.

Last night Jame J. Corbett made his third appearance at the Grand, this time in his new play "The Adventurer," and gave marked evidence of improvement as a stage character. There was a large audience—a top heavy house. The play was rather slow, but the sparring at the close was of the Careon City type, minus the Fitzsimmons solar plexis blow. Corbett was well pleased with his reception.

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THE FIRST ALARM

Over Gamewell System Turned In This Morning

SMALL RESIDENCE DAMAGED

House was Owned by J. W. Barth and was Occupied by Bert Hudson—First for Thirty Days.

At 4:45 o'clock this morning there was a fire at the residence of Bert Hudson at No. 1471 North Morgan street. The house was badly damaged by the fire. The alarm was turned in through the Gamewell Fire Alarm system from box 62 at the corner of Clinton and Condit streets. Although the system was put in about six months ago, this was the first alarm that the firemen have received through it. One false alarm was sent in over the system when it was first put in, but this morning was the first time that any of the boxes were put to actual use. As it was the box was seven blocks from the fire. No one knew who turned the alarm, but it is supposed that someone in the neighborhood saw the flame and turned in the alarm. After the firemen had left a telephone message came announcing the fire.

Just how the fire started is not exactly known but it is thought that it was due to some defect in the kitchen stove. Mr. Hudson arose at an early hour and made a fire in the kitchen stove. He sat up for a while and then went back to bed. He awoke later and found the kitchen in flames. The fire had a good start when the Morgan street firemen arrived, but they managed to save a part of the house. The interior of the kitchen was badly damaged and the roof of the house was entirely destroyed. The place is owned by J. W. Barth. The damage to the house will amount to probably $300. Some of the furniture in the house was taken out, but the loss to Mr. Hudson, the occupant of the house, will be several hundred dollars. He carried no insurance.

The fire was the first one that has occurred in the city for about 20 days. Never for years had there been so long a time without a fire of some kind occurring in the city.

"CYMBELINE" TO-NIGHT.

Margaret Mather to Appear—Play Goes on in Elaborate Style.

Miss Margaret Mather, the popular actress, whom Decatur playgoers have seen in other roles, will appear at the Grand tonight in Shakespeare's "Cymbeline," producing the play here for the first time, and in the most picturesque manner, displaying a great amount of special scenery. It will be one of the dramatic events of the season.

SOUSA COMING.

Sousa has always taken a just pride in the soloists who have accompanied him on his tours, and he presents at the concerts in this city, two young women, Miss Maud Reese Davies, soprano, and Miss Jennie Hoyle, violiniste, whom he expects to create an artistic furore. Miss Reese Davies has a voice of rare sweetness, and Miss Hoyle rings a daintiness of personality and the gift of sympathetic interpretation that will distinguished her among all the charming women who have achieved success with the violin. These young artistes will be here at the grand concert of Sousa and his band at the Powers Grand next Tuesday afternoon at 2:15 sharp.

John Scanlan's Condition.

Mrs. Mattie Scanlan has returned from Kankakee where she went to visit her husband who is fatally ill in that city. She reports that her husband is rational at times and quite cheerful and contented, but the attending physician says he cannot survive more than a few weeks, at the most, as he partakes of no nourishment whatever. His feet have entirely healed, but the progressive brain trouble will prove fatal.

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To any man, woman or child that will buy $1 worth of coffee or a one pound package of 60 cent tea we will give free five pounds of best granulated sugar, for Saturday only.

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THE CORN FLOUR EXHIBIT.

It Attracted Much Attention at the Farmers' Institute—Biscuits Given Away.

If there was any exhibit at the farmers' institute that was well investigated it was the exhibit of the Pillsbury flour and Germo, by J. G. Cloyd and the exhibit of corn flour made by the local mills. Both made hot biscuits and served them free to those in attendance at the institute and the number of biscuits consumed would be something hard to estimate. The purpose of advertising the corn flour was to bring before the farmers a true understanding of the industry and to ask them to sign their names to a petition asking that Senator Mason's bill providing for a high tax on corn flour be not passed. A representative of one of the milling companies said that the mill people were anxious that the bill not be passed as the high tax would prevent to a great extent the selling of the corn flour at a cheap rate. The new corn flour is intended to be mixed with wheat flour in bread of all kinds and is much cheaper and makes a really superior article to that made entirely of wheat flour. The three companies in this city who are making the corn flour, the Shellabarger Mill and Elevator Co., the Decatur Cereal Mill company and the Decatur Milling company, together have a capacity of 18,000 bushels of corn every 24 hours, so it can be readily seen that the industry is one which is of great benefit to the farmers of this district as it affords them a ready market for their grain. There seemed to be a general feeing among the famers in favor of preventing, if possible, the passage of the bill which places high tax on the corn flour and several hundred persons signed their names to the petition.

Will Leave Monday.

The Conklin party will leave for Alaska on Monday evening. They will go from here to Chicago via the Illinois Central, from Chicago to St. Paul they will take the Chicago and North Western, and from St. Paul to Seattle the Great Northern. They will sail from Seattle on the steel cruiser, Varenoia, which is the largest boat on this line and has a capacity for 14,000 tons on March 5. The party will go direct to Copper City and from there will go overland to the headwaters of the Copper river, a distance of between 300 and 400 miles. All their prospecting will be done in this vicinity which is also approximate to the head waters of the Tarana and Big Fork rivers and supposed to be in the midst of the richest gold fields, being directly west of Dawson City and on the American side of the boundary line. The entire amount for the trip, which includes outfit and transportation, will be $500 for each member of the party. The tents are finished and the outfit is now complete. The boys propose to make themselves known and on each tent is painted in large black letters the announcement that "We are the boys from Decatur, Illinois."

"Pudd'nhead Wilson" Coming Again.

The announcement that Mark Twain's "Pudd'nhead Wilson," is to be seen at the Grand again next Thursday will recall one of the most enjoyable evenings ever spent in that house, when the same play was produced there a year ago, and it is safe to say that it will meet with a rousing reception this time. An additional attraction to the coming engagement is the fact that we are to have Mr. Edwin Mayo in the title role. He will be supported by the same excellent company that we saw before and the production, it is said, will be mounted in the same elaborate manner.

"Pudd'nhead Wilson" is one of the grandest plays ever produced in this country. It is a work of art and its theme, the thumb mark theory, has been furnishing food for scientists of late. This undoubtedly will prove one of the strongest drawing attractions of the season and deservedly so.

Saturday Afternoon Euchre Club.

The Saturday Afternoon Euchre club will be entertained by Miss Grace Hamsher of West William street tomorrow afternoon. The usual program will be followed. A prize will be given to the player winning the greatest number of games and supper will be served at 5 o'clock.

A Trained Lion.

Next week Prof. Henry will exhibit a trained lion in Cheap Charley's store window.

Fred Gebhardt has sold an 80 acre farm in Union township, Livingston county, to Herman Meier for $73.50 per acre.

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GOLD IN ALASKA

Latest News from the Rich Frigid Region.

STAMPEDE TO INDIAN RIVER

Recent Important Discoveries—Pay Dirt Yielding from 30 to 80 Cents to the Pan—Confirmations.

Juneau, Alaska, Feb. 5.—By the steamer City of Seattle, Victoria, Feb. 5.—The latest news from Dawson City, is brought out by a party who reached Skaguay, January 25, having left Dawson December 26. Two new creeks were discovered. One in the Klondike district Here the ground shows 40 cents to the pan, with seven feet of pay earth. The richest creek is in the Indian River district—80 cents to the pan a few inches below the surface, with bed rock many feet below. This is said to equal anything found at first on Bonanza or El Dorado. There will be a stampede to the Indian River at once.

TO SURPRISE THE WORLD.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 5.—The steamer Coquitlan has arrived from Skaguay. There is news of many big strikes made on the Big Salmon and confirmed. Pay dirt, yielding 30 cents to the pan, was discovered in the gravel above bedrock. On Henderson Creek, five miles below the Stewart, good strikes were made. The latest reports from the interior of Alaska are especially encouraging. "The Minok river and tributaries, as well as scores of other streams in that region, promise to surprise the world," says a returned prospector, "and in the next year and all the United States will rejoice. It is now generally conceded that the winter's clean up will not be over $10,000,000."

APPLE MEN SORE.

German Merchants Encouraged Shipment of American Fruit.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Chicago wholesale fruit dealers declare that the decree issued by the German authorities excluding the fresh fruit of this country will be a source of considerable hardship to them. The apple dealers, it is said, will be the chief sufferers, for the German trade in apples has had considerable to do with regulating the home market.

Last autumn representatives of a number of the prominent apple houses of Bremen and Hamburg came to this country and urged the dealers to supply the German markets with the popular fruit. Some of them went so far as to offer a guarantee, claiming to see their way clear through the great demand in the fatherland for fine fruit, which has been scarce in Germany this year. A great many of the merchants saw a harvest in trading with the Germans and shipped the surplus of the fanciest apples that came to the local market.

The merchants say that the alleged cause for the issuance of the decree is ridiculous for only the finest variety of apples was shipped across the water. They deny that any California vermin infested the fruit.

Benjamin Newhall, one of the heaviest handlers of apples in the west, said: "It is all bosh to say that the California apples are infested with vermin. The Germans got the pick of the land. The American merchants had begun to regard the German field as an especially profitable one for them to operate in and they set about to supply the market. I think I am pretty near it when I say that not less than 75,000 barrels of apples were shipped to the German markets last season."

TANNER COMING BACK.

Outline of Probable Work by Illinois Legislature.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 5.—The special session of the general assembly has license to live just two weeks more. Members who are presumed to reflect the governor's desires say it must adjourn sine die not later than two weeks.

Governor Tanner will be home before the legislature site, again to assume personal command of the winding up process. He will insist, his friends say, upon the final passage of just two pending measures—the primary election bill and a revenue bill. Other bills may be passed; these must be.

The primary bill, just as it is, including the emergency clause, will be passed, unless all signs fail, next Thursday morning. Senator Crawford had the vote by

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